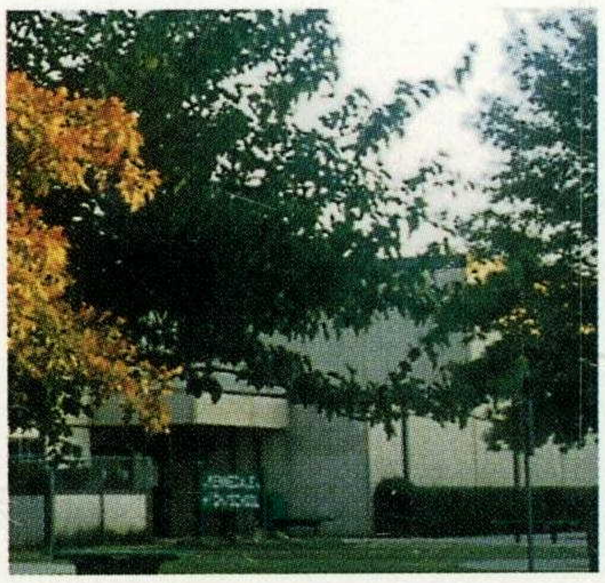

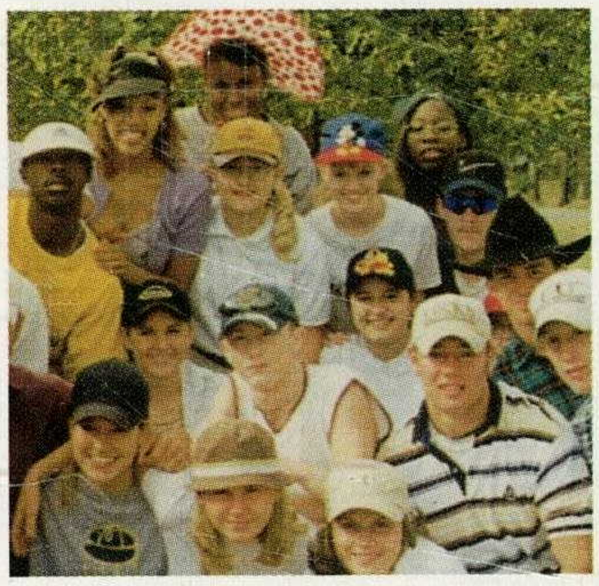

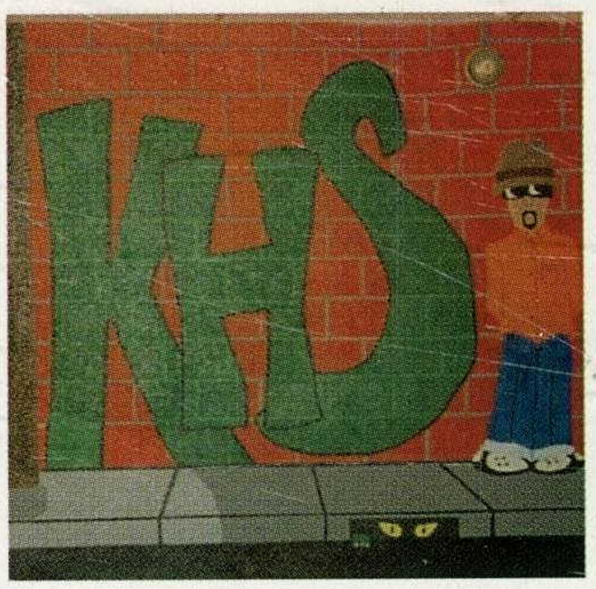

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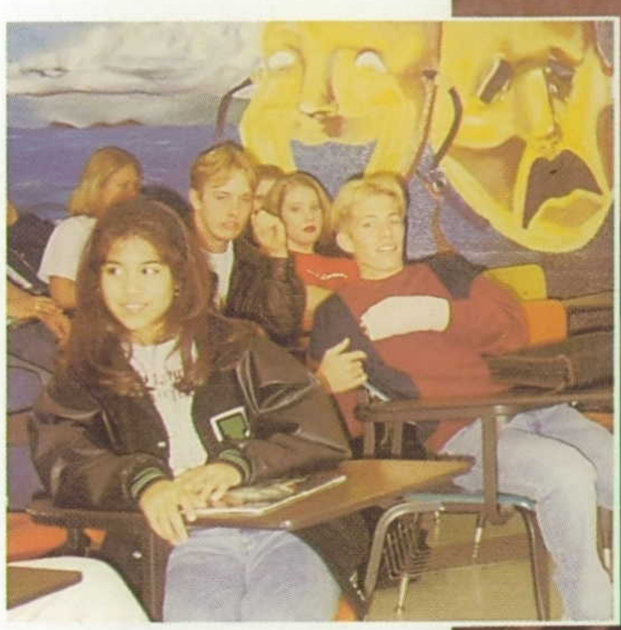
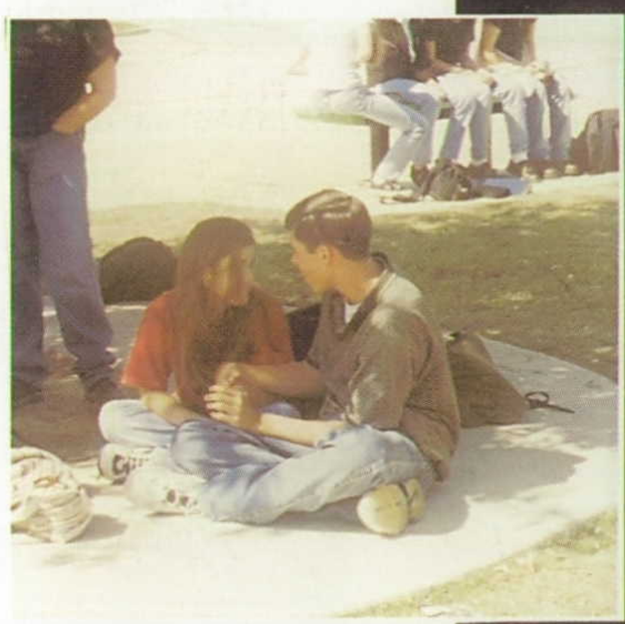
Freshmen Elizabeth Rogers, Honnah Adams, Julie Thomas, Joanna Collins, and Jennifer Agnello enjoy their leisurely lunch, spending time outdoors before returning to eighth period.

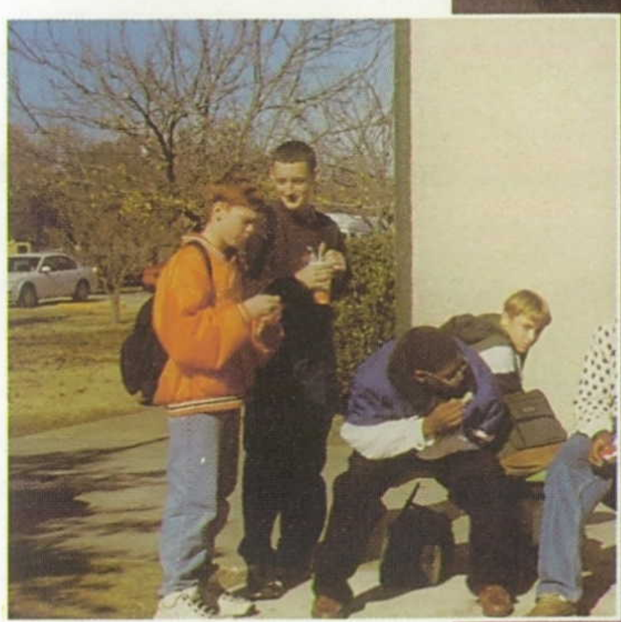
Mrs. Wallis' sixth period class takes their seats before the tardy bell rings. Laura Lujan, Justin Stovall, and Shey Stout assisted each other with critiquing their speeches throughout the year.



Spending time together during break, Melanie Bartee and Jason Robards steal a moment before the tardy bell rings.



Freshmen D.J. Ryals, Stephen Stone, Lyndell Griggs, and Billy Varney adjust to the lifestyle of being a student at KHS. They shared the privilege of enjoying their lunch time as they wish.



Opening

The pages that follow contain the inspirations and reflections of the KHS student body. Each piece reveals a time in a student's life when he or she achieved a sense of clarity as a result of an experience or relationship. Although these experiences may not seem consequential to every reader, these are the moments that have provided individuals with an opportunity to see things clearly before they take "One Last Look".

ONE LAST LOOK

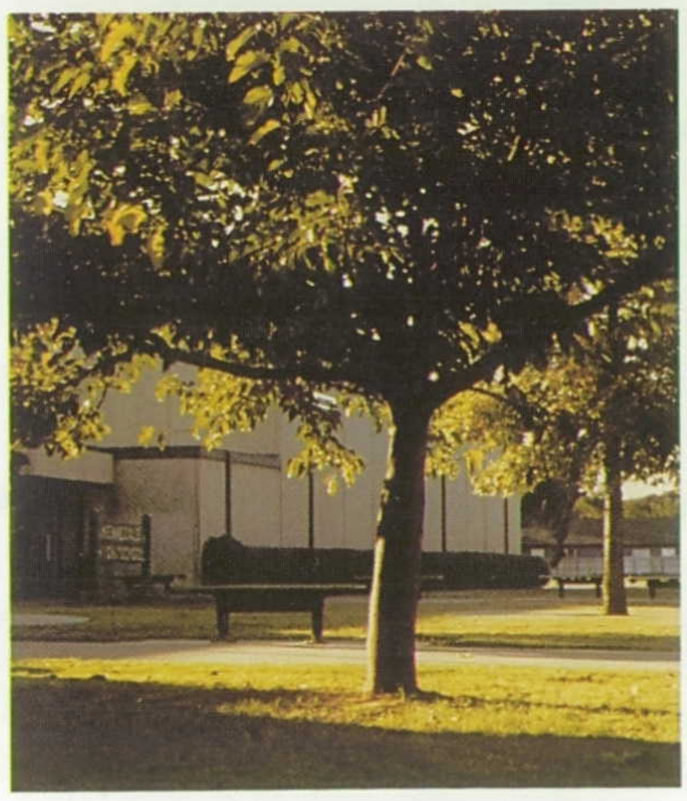
KENNEDALE HIGH SCHOOL

by Amy Casbeer

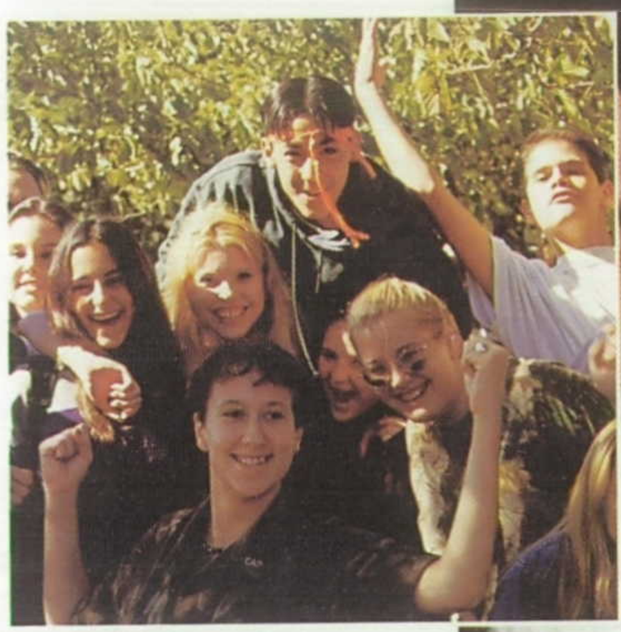
As the underclassmen and faculty anxiously awaited the transition, the senior class of 1998 took "One Last Look".

Once again, a new building became a necessity to accommodate the rapid population growth of our school district and community. Construction began on the high school that we called home on July 1, 1976. This building was constructed to relieve crowded conditions in the old building which housed both the high school and middle school.

Twenty years later, history repeated itself. The decision to build a larger high school could not have come a moment too soon. The crowded hallways and shortage of classrooms would soon be alleviated for the underclassmen and faculty. As they anxiously awaited the transition to the new and improved Kennedale High School, the senior class of 1998 took "One Last Look".

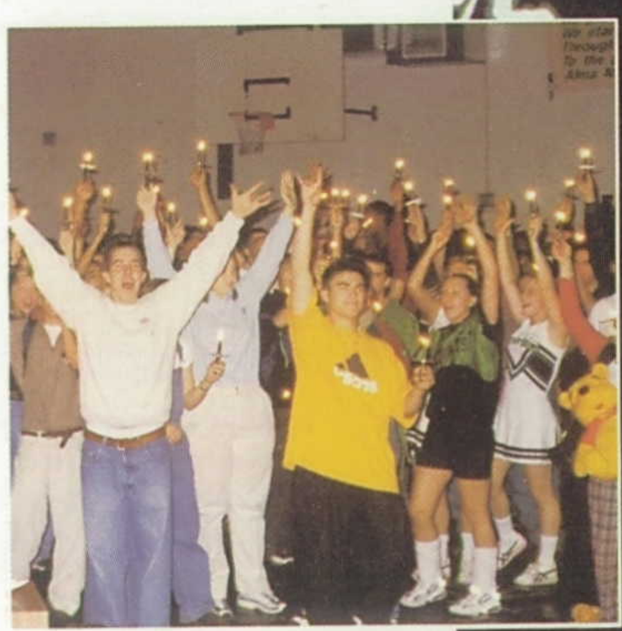


Energized after the pep rally, Chelsei Ezell, Lena Basiti, Debra Berry, and John Robert Ledesma unwind during break before returning to class.



Seniors Alfredo Parra Jr. and Heidi Golden proudly represent Kennedale High School as the 1997-98 Homecoming King and Queen.

John Wright, Jaymz Cotter, Kim Brumfield, and Amy Casbeer unite with their classmates during the "passing of the candles" at the conclusion of the Senior Pep Rally.



SADD members Jason Nelson, Courtney Drew, Myriah Anderson, Sara White, and Misty Kershman wait for the bell to ring before heading out to the parking lot to tie red ribbons around the students car antennas.

Student Life

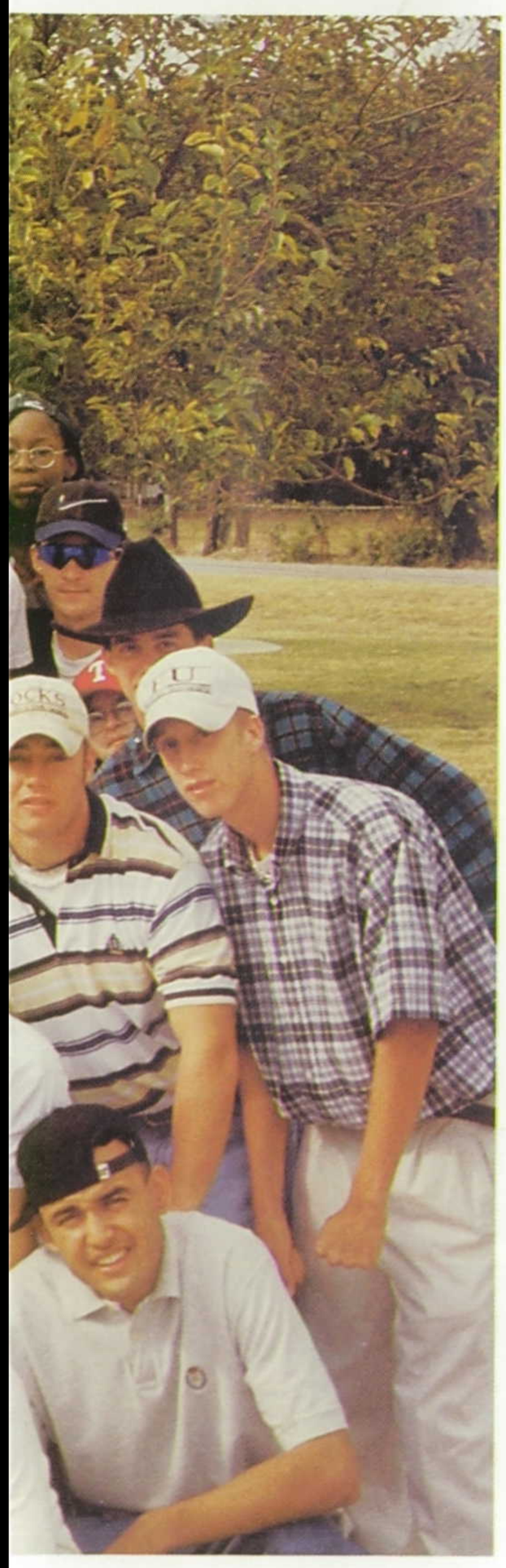
All students that attend Kennedale High School put in long hours of school work, but high school isn't just for hitting the books. We also gain knowledge and acquire skills from social and extra-curricular activities. The experiences of scholastic achievements, developing friendships, gaining employment, and discovering our independence help to shape our lives.

The variety of activities in which KHS students take part reflects the vast diversity of our student body. These valuable experiences as well as our academic achievements are essential in gaining the knowledge that is necessary for defining who we are.

Juniors Jennifer Johnson and Brandie Little go to the extreme, showing off their Wildcat pride.

Varsity cheerleaders Amy Casbeer, Myriah Anderson, Summer Morris, and Heidi Golden motivate the senior class at their last Homecoming Pep Rally.

Hats off to the seniors as they unite to display their leadership during Homecoming Spirit Week. Hat day received the most participation amongst the faculty and student body.



ALL IN THE Attitude

It was the sound of throbbing drums and voices shouting their enthusiasm for the Wildcat teams. It was showing school pride at every opportunity as students gave their all in athletics, in the classrooms, and during spirit events. It was an energy and attitude that surpassed all others.

School pride could not have been more evident than at the KHS pep rallies. They played an important role in school spirit and gave students the opportunity to get involved. "The pep rallies were important to the athletes because you know the school is behind you, which motivates you to do better." said sophomore Angela Peace.

Competition was not only seen at athletic events, but also at the pep rallies. The rivalry for the spirit stick was taken to a new level by the juniors and seniors this year. Stopping at nothing, they attempted to out yell each other for a victory. "The junior and senior rivalry wasn't just about winning, but it was about uniting the classes in support of the Wildcats." stated junior Kareah Asebedo.

During Homecoming Spirit Week students and faculty showed their support by wearing hats, ties, sweatshirts, and retro clothing. They also put in a lot of time and dedication decorating the halls, the gym, and the football stands. You could truly see school pride shine through all of the students. "It's really important that students get involved in the school. Whether it's in athletics, arts, clubs, or being a spectator, spirit sets the tone and climate for the campus." said Principal Mr. Farmer.

School spirit united the KHS student body and gave them a chance to stand up, show their pride, and get involved in all school activities. This year was exceptional because it was "All In the Attitude".

"If you have pride in what you are doing, it carries over into the class room." Mr. Farmer

Seen at every pep rally, Principal Mr. Farmer and KISD Superintendent Mr. Horton encourage student participation.

VICTORY AND *Elegance*

" It was special to share such a moment with my sister." said Heidi Golden

It was a night of victory and a night of elegance. It was the time of year that most all students looked forward to and the spirit could be felt throughout the school.

Homecoming 1997 began with spirit week. Particular days were designated during the week so students could display their enthusiasm. On Thursday evening, the students and faculty strategically decorated their hallways in hopes of winning recognition for their class. Once again, the seniors prevailed, leaving the competition behind.

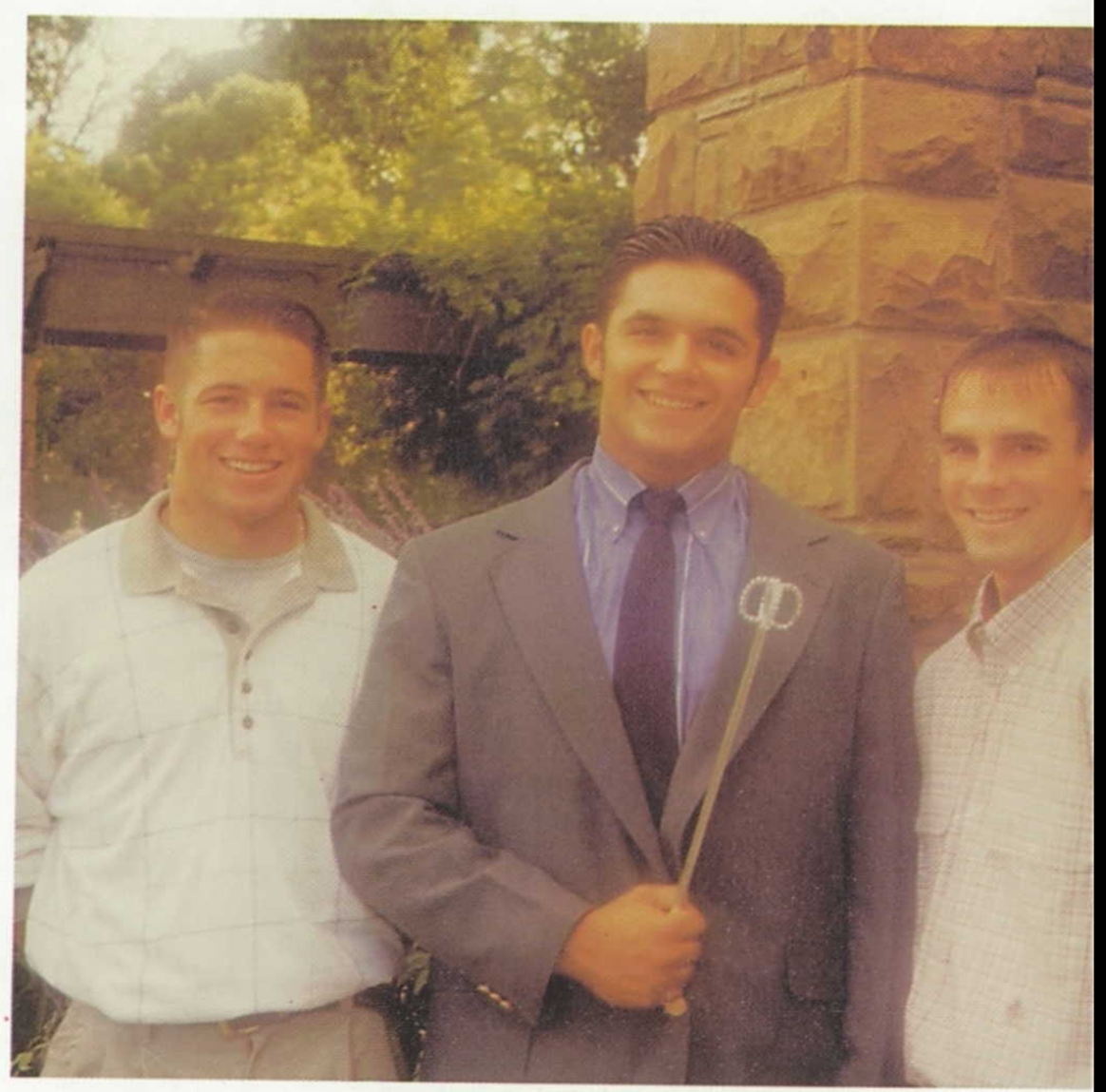
The pep rally on Friday was a success and the spirit carried over into the evening as the students and community cheered the Wildcats on to a 38-6 victory over the North Dallas Bulldogs.

The week's festivities came to a close with the royal crowning which took place during half time. The Homecoming Court looked elegant as they awaited the announcement of the 1997-98 King and Queen. Senior Heidi Golden was crowned by her sister, the retiring queen. "Words can't describe how special it was to share such a moment with my sister." said Heidi.

Many claimed victory during this traditional week of spirited competition, however, nothing could surpass the memories it left behind.

Princess Myriah Anderson, Queen Heidi Golden, and Princess Missy Britt honored their high school during the homecoming week.

On Friday, October 3, 1997, seniors Alfredo Parra Jr. and Heidi Golden became royalty as they were announced Homecoming King and Queen. The week long festivities came to a close with the crowning, which took place during the half time ceremonies.



Seniors Jason Greenfield, Alfredo Parra Jr., and Ryan Cosser represent their class as part of the 1997 Homecoming Court.

Juniors Terry Baldwin and Melissa Sanchez, sophomores D.W. Hamrick and Holly Golden, and freshmen Jason Odom and Ashley Holder represent their fellow classmates during Homecoming week.

Sophomores Jennifer Armstrong and Cindy Whightsil share the ups and down associated with friendships. They have been friends since sixth grade.

On a dare, seniors Jeri McMillan, Jason Greenfield, Missy Britt, and Crystal Cross make a fashion statement that is uniquely their own. They created many lasting memories while at KHS.

LASTING *Memories*

What will you remember when you think of your high school days? Homework? Tests? Among your many memories will be the friendships that you made while at Kennedale High School. The word "friend" has significant meaning. "A friend is someone who is trustworthy, willing to accept you for who you are, and be there for you when you need them." senior Maranda Daniel said.

Senior Lindsay Hernandaz agreed, "Friends can get you through the hard times because you can't do it alone." Friendship pays no respect to time. They can be as short as a minute, or as long as a lifetime. "I have had the same best friend for seventeen years." said freshman Laban Streholw.

Success in friendships isn't counted by numbers, but by the heart.

Success in friendships isn't counted by numbers, but by the heart. Throughout high school, friends will come and go. But one thing remains certain, they have all made an impact on some part of our lives, leaving us with "lasting memories".

Long time friends, Shanna Nickens, Jennifer Agnello, Melissa Lightfoot, and Jessica Jones continue to share common bonds as they experience life as a freshman at Kennedale High School.

LOOK AT WHAT We Can Do

The organizations and clubs had many purposes. They ranged from speaking French to becoming the Future Business Leaders of America. They often had the same goal, which was to give back to their community and environment. "Anyone can join a club, but to be part of an organization that helps others is something special." said Mrs. Jackson, co-sponsor of National Honors Society.

In November, NHS held a canned food and clothing drive to benefit the less fortunate. They were not the only organization that focused on humanitarianism. The Future Homemakers of America visited nursing homes in the local area. The Peer Assistance and Leadership class went to other schools in the district to befriend and encourage younger students.

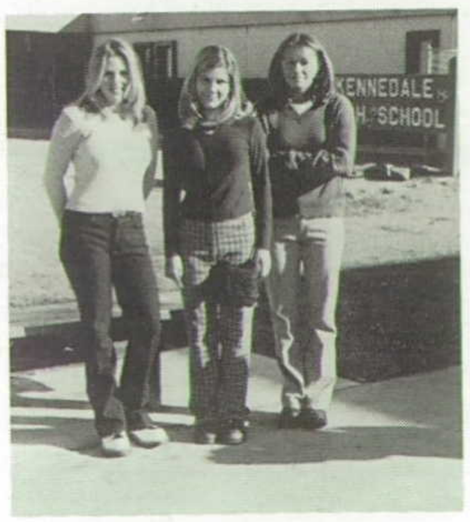
Environmental awareness was addressed in Ms. Hinz's science classes. Students learned about the environment and ways to conserve it. "The paper recycling project is a great example of the difference one school can make." sponsor Ms. Hinz stated.

Students Against Drunk Driving promoted awareness by placing ribbons on student's cars. "During the holiday season, drinking and driving is at an all time high. We just hope people will see the ribbons and remember life is too precious to waste." member Akua Asari said. "There is nothing like a worthwhile cause that helps people." replied SADD sponsor Ms. Scarborough. Whatever their purpose, KHS clubs gave back to their community and environment.

The Crime Stoppers not only help solve and prevent campus crimes, but they also give back to the community. In September they held a "Bears on Patrol" drive to help collect teddy bears to donate to the Kennedale Police Department. They were given to distressed children.

Look OF OUR OWN

The Guess Store, Wet Seal, Old Navy, and the Buckle are just a few of the popular stores that Kennedale students chose to shop at to acquire the right look. Senior Tasha Bosworth was known for her individual sense of style. "Fashion is a way to express yourself to your peers without words." she said. Many students felt that the style they chose was not an effort to be trendy or fit in with the norm, but instead, they believed that the accessories and clothes that they adorned were an extension of themselves. Casual clothes were a popular choice among students. Many portrayed a preppy appearance, wearing jeans or khakis with a Tommy Hilfiger or Polo button down shirt,and leather boots. Others preferred the more relaxed wind pants, sweat shirts, and athletic shoes. We certainly couldn't exclude the western motif seen at KHS. Rockies, Wranglers, Ropers, and cowboy boots were a staple in many wardrobes. The retro look was also very apparent among the female student body at KHS. Black bell bottom pants, form fitting shirts, and platform shoes completed the contemporary ensemble and gave the trendsetters a run for their money. Students wore different fashions for different reasons. Regardless of what they chose to wear, they had a **"Look of Their Own"**.



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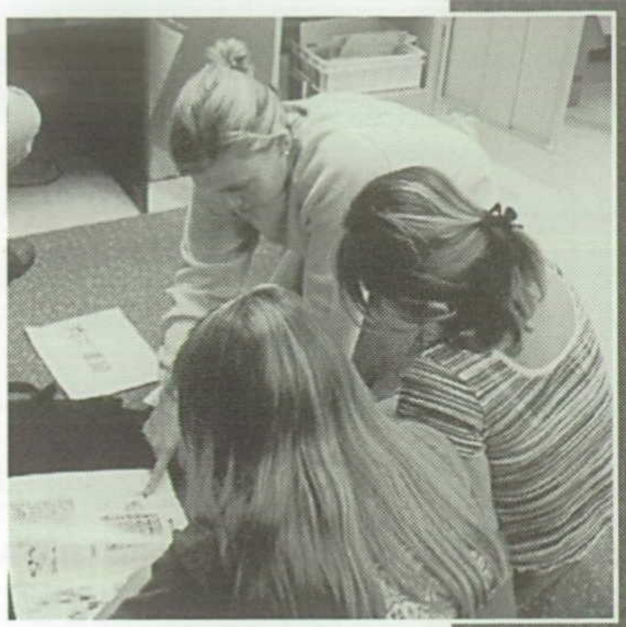
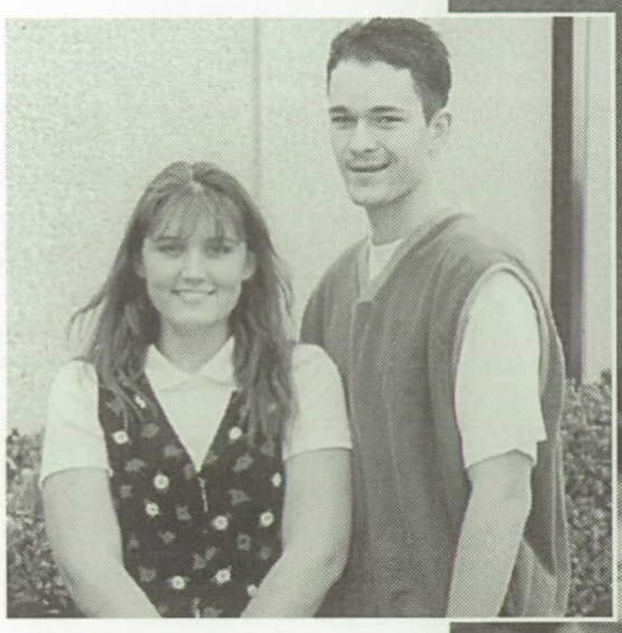


Seniors Crystal Bahleda and Justin Reynolds were voted on by members of the band as the Band Sweethearts for 1997-98. This was announced during homecoming.



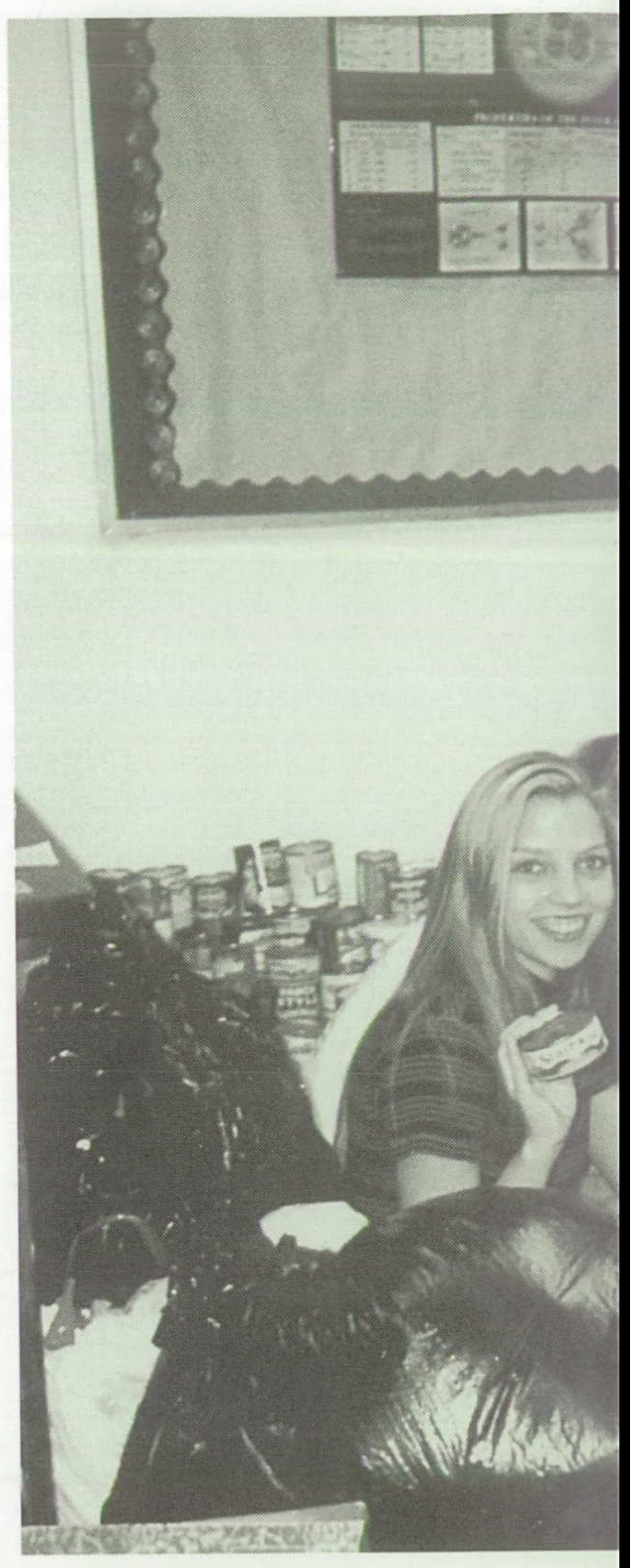
Meeting at Chedders restaurant for lunch, FBLA members and sponsor Ms. Ward celebrate their successful year. The lunch was held in May and was open to current members as well as those interested in participating in the future.

Foreign Language Club member Tara Christensen is ready to party wearing her Mardi Gras mask and beads. The french students celebrated this traditional festival while learning more about the culture and language they studied.

Organizations

The variety of organizations offered at Kennedale High School gave students the opportunity to enhance their personal interests and become involved in an activity beyond the classroom. One could become a member of many organizations simply by joining. Other memberships were related to a specific class taken or students were nominated to be part of that particular group. Regardless of how one became a member of one of the many organizations, there was something for everyone. Belonging to one of the organizations enabled students to reach out to the community and do for others. Meetings and fundraisers were held and friendships were made. The sense of accomplishment that was gained and the memories that were made will be with these students always.

LEADING *the Way*



At Kennedale High School, many students displayed their leadership qualities by being members of Student Council, National Honor Society or Future Business Leaders of America.

The student body voted on who they felt would best represent their class as student council members. This organization acted as the government for the students. If changes needed to be made, seeking the help of the Student Council would be the most effective way to get it done. They also worked hard to improve school leadership. They held fundraisers such as a garage sale and a talent show. The money that was made helped send members to leadership conferences where they learned more about running a more effective student government.

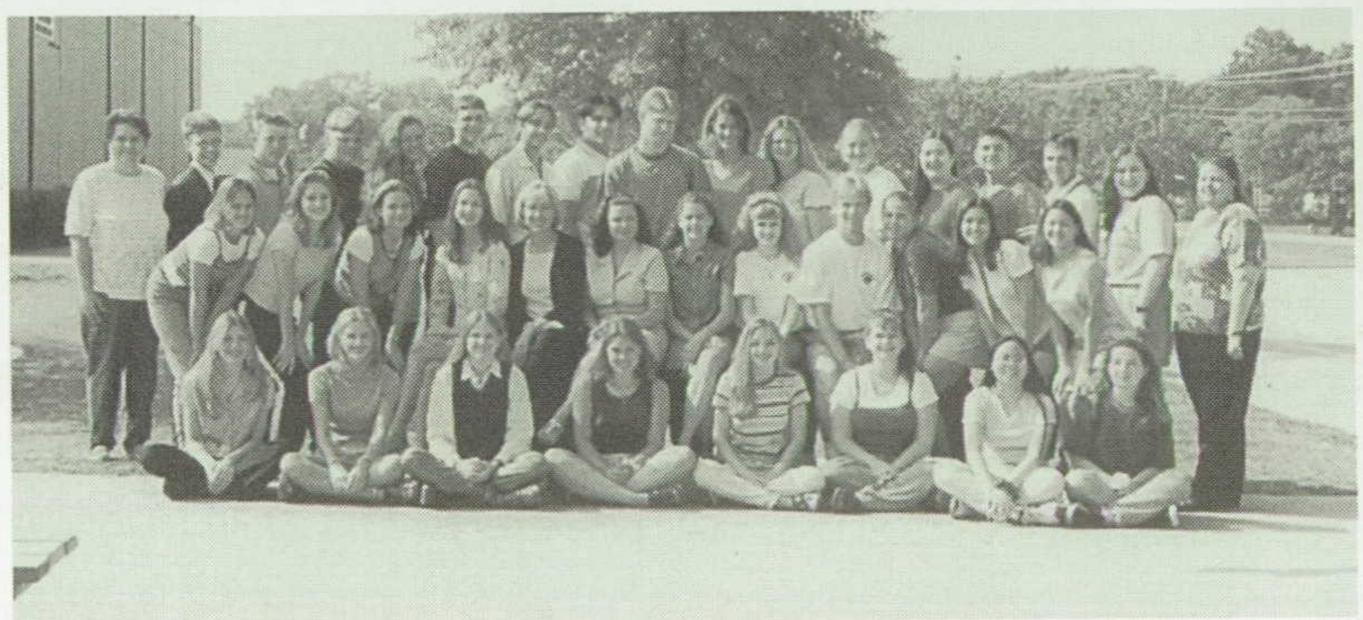
The members of the National Honor Society were the juniors and seniors that met the grade point and leadership standards set by the organization. NHS members worked together, doing for others. Their purpose was to create enthusiasm for scholarships, stimulate a desire to render service, to promote leadership and to develop character in the students of secondary schools.

The FBLA competed at district and state conventions. The purpose of FBLA was to promote business ethics and prepare them for business orientated occupations.

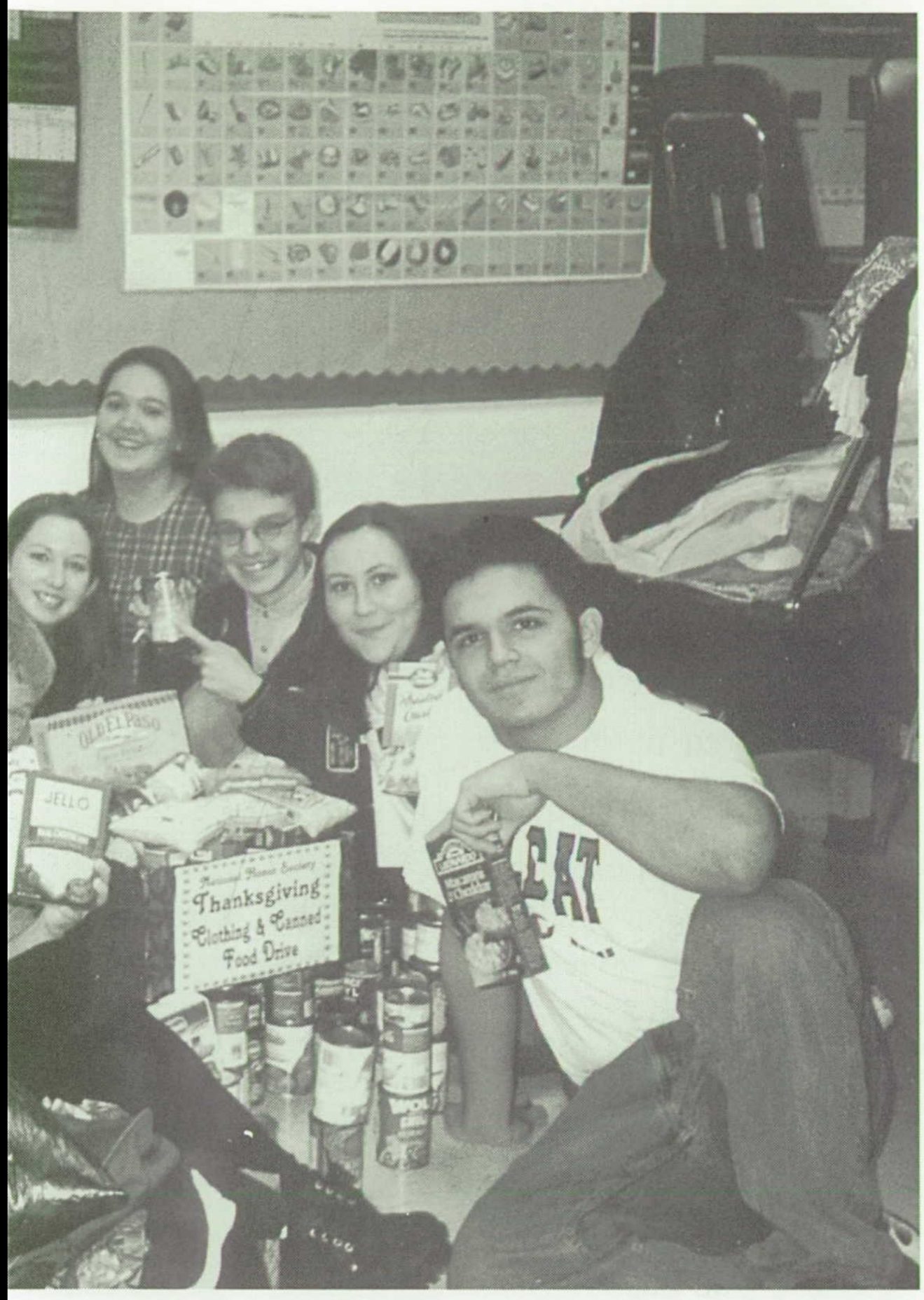
All of these clubs had a great purpose, to create leadership for the future. All members will use the knowledge learned in the future to achieve their goals.

by Jackie Casbeer

National Honor Society



BACK: Mrs. Worley, Mike Agnello, Luke Bogacki, Loree Kovach, Jason Brown, Nick McCoy, Alfredo Parra, Alex Vorse, Rebecca Wynalda, Miranda Mayse, Jennifer Statum, Mindy Jackson, Brad Horton, Ryan Cosser, Amy Conner, Mrs. Jackson. **MIDDLE:** Jodie Reagan, Amy Leither, Amy Casbeer, Karen Pinkerton, Sara Hamilton, Sara White, Heidi Golden, Lark Wallis, Kevin O'Shields, Tara Christensen, Kareah Asebedo, Brandi Little. **FRONT:** Candice Spaeth, Courtney McDaniel, Andrea Douty, Ashley Bullard, Summer Morris, Rebecca Debrecht, Annie Ngoo, Jessica Wojtak.



National Honor Society members are always doing for others. Summer Morris, Kevin O'Shields, Karen Pinkerton, Mindy Jackson, Mike Agnello, Amy Conner and Alfredo Parra displayed the donations from the Thanksgiving Clothing and Canned Food Drive.

Singing "In the Still of the Night" at the Student Council Talent Show, Eric Medlock, Kevin O'Shields, Justin Reynolds, Wayne Richardson and Brandon Wall impress the crowd. They received a standing ovation for their performance.

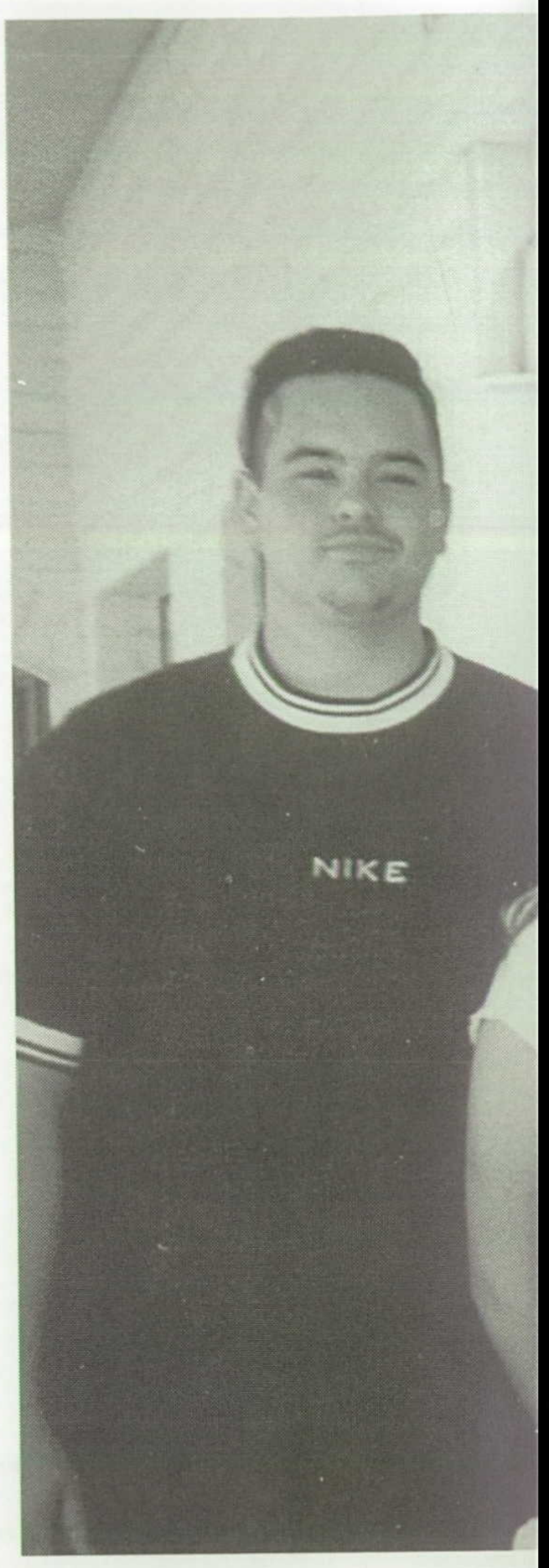
Student Council

BACK: Mrs. Heath, Laura Lujan, Lance Franks, Oliver Ho, Mark Cross, Rebecca Wynalda, Jacob Bayer, Jordan Spradley, Mindy Jackson, Lark Wallis, Honnah Adams. **FRONT:** Jodi Durham, Ebonee Winfrey, Amy Leither, Heidi Golden, Summer Morris, Rebecca Debrecht, Tim Wakeland, Holly Golden, Stephenie Keeton, Elizabeth Rogers, Chonquia Turner.

Future Business Leaders of America

BACK: Ms. Ward, Amanda Bowen, Angela Peace, Cynthia Whightsil, Jordan Spradley, Chris Galle, Laura Lujan, Veronica Rushing, Mr. Benson. **FRONT:** Peter Griffin, Alfredo Parra, Kalila Berry, Jerrett Goodwyn, Marilyn Rushing.

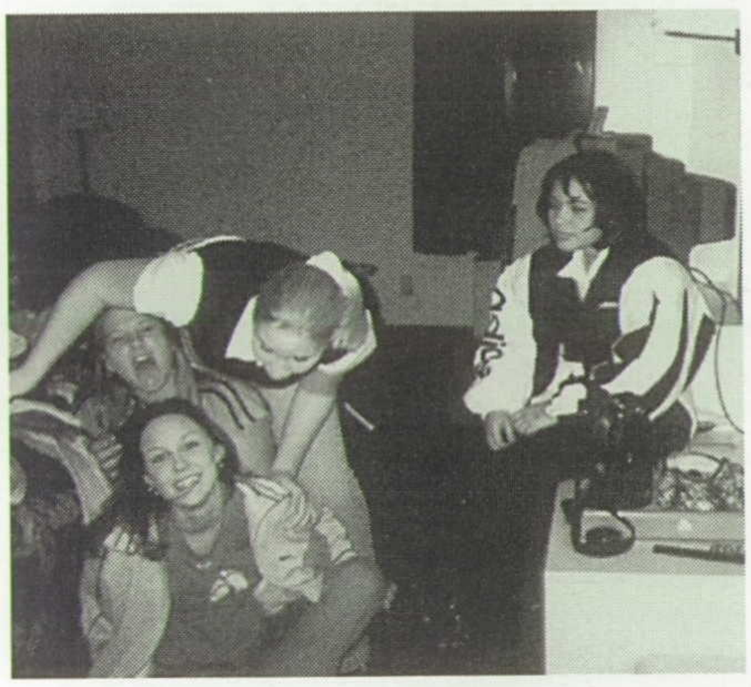
READY *for the* *Real World*



The students involved in FHA, TAFE and VICA learned about their future employment options as they became ready for the real world after high school.

The Future Homemakers of America was an organization that worked to promote leadership and community service. Members learned skills that would be beneficial to them in their future. In the fall, they visited the residents of Pecan Manor Nursing Home in Kennedale to help them celebrate Halloween. This organization was well known for doing for those in the community.

The Texas Association of Future Educators focused on education related employment and they also devoted their spare time to service projects. They held a baby sitting fundraiser which was taken advantage of during Christmas time by parents who needed to complete last minute shopping. Several times throughout the year they sponsored "pay day pig out" for the faculty members, preparing lunch for them on pay day.



Students involved in Vocational and Industrial Club of America actively participated by attending state conferences and they worked hard to prepare themselves for the events. They hosted two faculty versus students basketball games and held car washes. Students in VICA attended school half of a day and worked at part time jobs the other half.

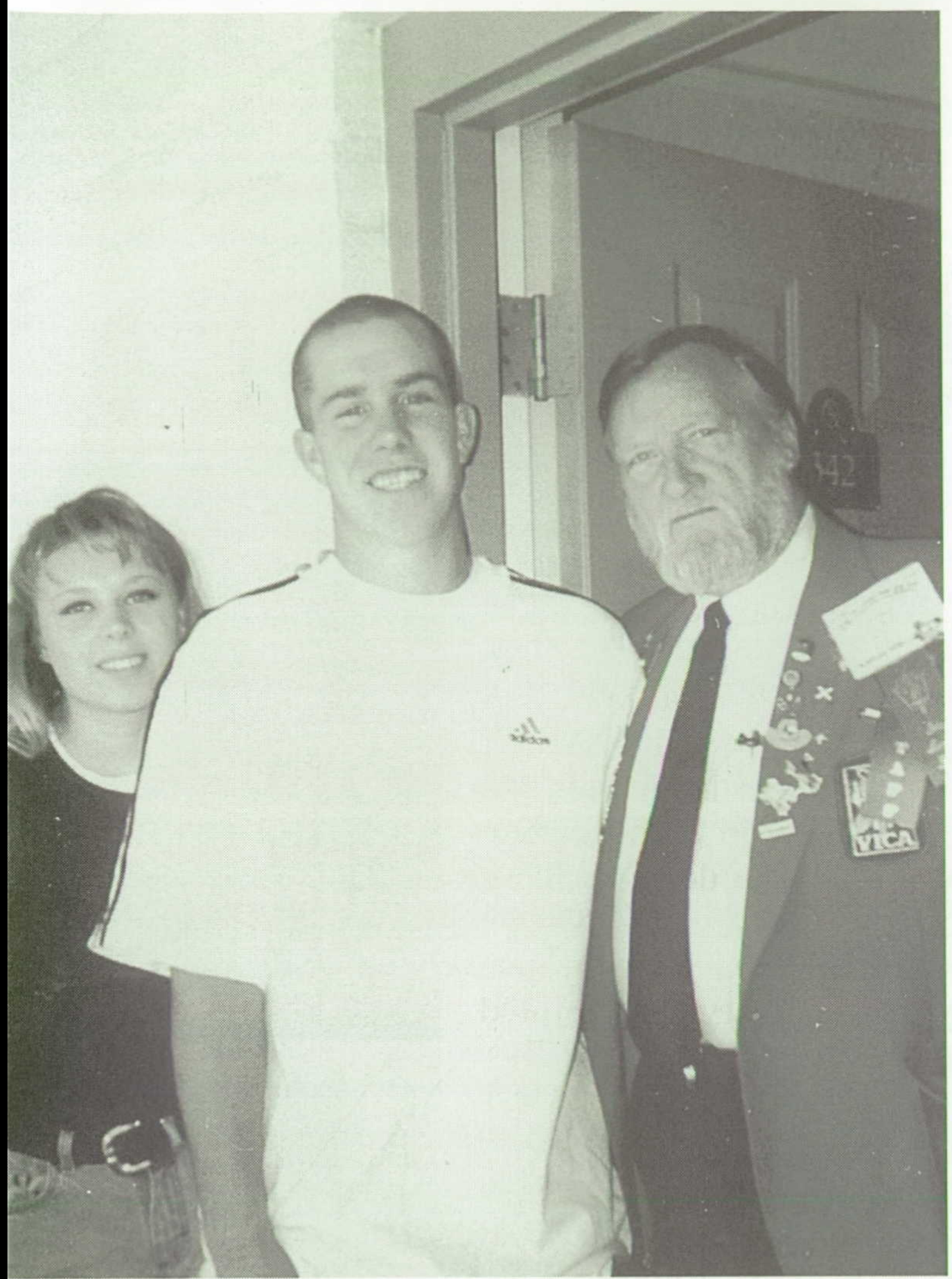
While high school prepared all students for the real world, many enhanced their interests further by taking advantage of what these clubs and organizations had to offer them.

by Brandi Knox

FHA members Jessica Jones, Tiffanie Thomason, Courtney Laferney and Heather Underwood make the most of their time at the FHA Regional Meeting. They attended the meeting in Wichata Falls during February.

Future Homemakers of America

BACK: Amanda Bowen, Jessica Jones, Tawaina Fisher, Arianne Varney, Crystal Nuno, Mrs. Edgar. **FRONT:** Heather Underwood, Tiffanie Thomason, Bailey Ephland, Meghan O'Connor. **Not Pictured:** Jessica Jones, Courtney Laferney.



VICA members Michael Sparks, Amy Latimer, John Wright and sponsor Mr. Easley get ready to attend their next meeting. They represented Kennedale while attending a VICA conference in Amarillo during the spring.

The faculty enjoyed the "pay day pig out", a TAFE sponsored lunch. They organized and catered the monthly lunches to show their appreciation.

Vocational and Industrial Club of America

BACK: Catherine Gibson, Heather King, Chris Collins, T.W. Wilkerson, Michael Sparks, Dewain Husmann, John Miller, Amy Latimer, Billy Patton, Mr. Easley. **FRONT:** Jaymz Cotter, Jennifer Nichols, John Wright, Myra Garcia, Rolondo Carranza.

Texas Association of Future Educators

BACK: Mrs. Smith, Keicha Miskell, Kris Ballew, Ebonee Winfrey, Anna Smith, Ms. Norwood. **FRONT:** Amber Crawford, Mindy Jackson, Lark Wallis, Kareah Asebedo, Amanda Jones.

THE SOUND *of Music*

Many gifted and musically inclined students were proud to be chosen as members of the select groups Pizzazz and Varsity Choir. These organizations challenged and inspired students to further develop their skills and gave them the opportunity to share their talents with others.

Pizzazz was a show choir that performed music of various styles with choreography and costume. The Pizzazz members had to be able to sing and dance to a variety of musical styles and they had to audition for a spot in order to perform with the group. The Pizzazz group performed at many different concerts held this past year. They also performed at the annual Chili Supper and at the Kennedale Nursing Home.

Varsity Choir consisted of thirty-six talented individuals that loved to perform and had an appreciation for the various music styles. Throughout the year the choir participated in several concerts, but their main event for the year was the UIL Solo and Ensemble Contest. They brought back nineteen superior ratings with fourteen students advancing to state competition in May. Choir member Tara Christensen stated,"Choir this year was a great experience and there was a lot of musical growth among the students. We learned a lot about facing adversity and practicing diversity. Now we are all looking forward to UIL State Solo and Ensemble competition in June."

Both Pizzazz and Advanced Choir are an asset to our school for they give the students the opportunity to perform and develop their appreciation for music. by Lindsay Kegans

Decked out in denim and a black leather jacket, choir director Mr. Mowles takes the lead in the skit performed by Pizzazz at the fifties theme related dinner theatre. The evening was sponsored by the Fine Art Booster Club .

Pizzazz

BACK: Kevin O'Shields, Kelly Malone, Eric Medlock, Anna Smith, Brandon Wall, Justin Reynolds, Tara Christensen. **FRONT:** Heidi Westall, Brandi Jowers, Amy Conner, Amber Morris, Shelly Watts, Lark Wallis.

Advanced choir members Anna Smith, Lark Wallis, Holly Riddle and Tara Christensen show off their beautiful costumes before their first performance of the musical "Quilters". Their performances dazzled the audience and made this production one to remember.

Pizzazz members take the audience back to the past, capturing the essence of the fifties with their song, dance and costumes. They enertained those that attended the Fine Arts Banquet in the spring.

Varsity Choir

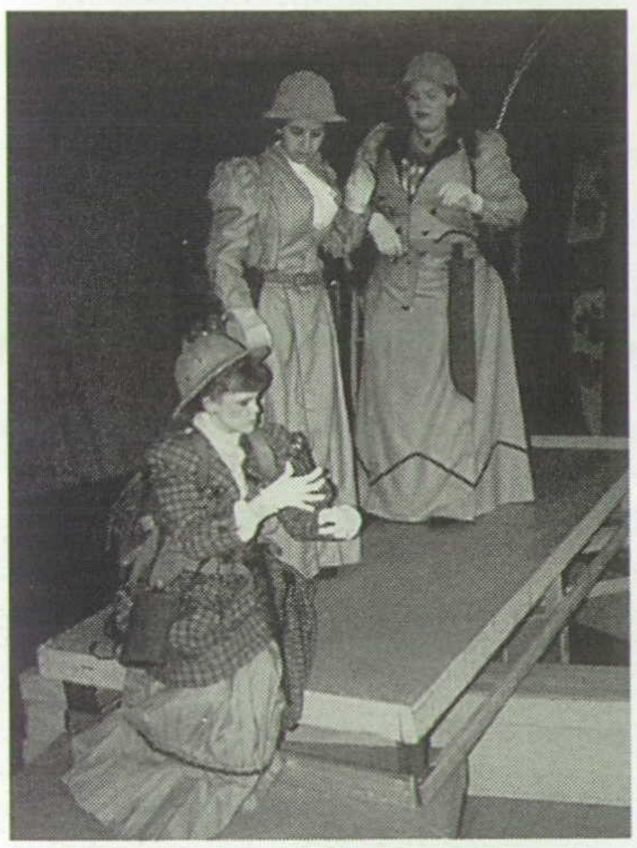
BACK: Angela Peace, Lark Wallis, Brandi Jowers, Holley Baker, Jordan Spradley, Wayne Richardson, Justin Reynolds, Brandon Wall, Alex Vorse, Tara Christensen, Holly Riddle, Anna Smith, Amy Conner. **MIDDLE:** Heather King, Kiena Tomaszewski, Marisa Garza, Cathy Mitchell, Milton Marcus, Daniel Wilson, Eric Medlock, Candy Schumann, Michelle Wolfe, Teresa Melendez, Amber Mulcahy. **FRONY:** Jennifer Fish, Kelly Malone, Ann Fuentes, Amanda Bowen, Aaron Wood, Ryan Nelson, Heidi Westall, Shanna Swarm, Latoya Griffin, Chinarra Abram.

Senior advanced choir member Holly Riddle takes center stage as Sara during the final performance of "Quilters". She left an impression on all of those that saw her perform while at Kennedale High School.

A LOOK *in the* *Spotlight*

The Musical Theatre students and Thespians at Kennedale High School enjoyed a look in the spotlight as they took center stage. In preparation for their performances, students and sponsors spent countless hours after school and weekends to rehearse.

Singing, dancing and acting was what musical theatre was all about. Throughout the year they worked on the production of the musicial,"Quilters", which they performed in May. Another big event for Musical Theatre was performing at the dinner theatre sponsored by the Fine Arts Booster Club. The dinner theme was the "fifties" and the students took advantage of the motif by wearing poodle skirts, saddle oxfords and slicking their hair back while entertaining the crowd.



In addition to Musical Theatre, the Thespian Society helped in the enhancement of the fine arts. Members had to earn points for the roles they played in the drama performances in order to become a Thespian. Their purpose was to advance the standards of excellence and encourage students to attain a better mastery of the theatre arts.

The Musical Theatre and Thespians dedicated their time and energy to make their performances the best. Their look in the spotlight allowed them to shine like the stars they were. by Brandi Knox

Musical Theatre members Lark Wallis, Kareah Asebedo and Holly Riddle rehearse their performances for the UIL One Act Play "On the Verge". The cast members advanced to state, receiving fourth place.

Thespians

BACK: Anna Smith, Tara Christensen, Julie Marin. **MIDDLE:** Mrs. Wallis, Lark Wallis, Casey Curry, Luke Bogacki, Amanda Jones. **FRONT:** Kevin O'Shields. **Not Pictured:** Mindy Jackson, Holly Riddle, Sara Hamilton, Karen Pinkerton.

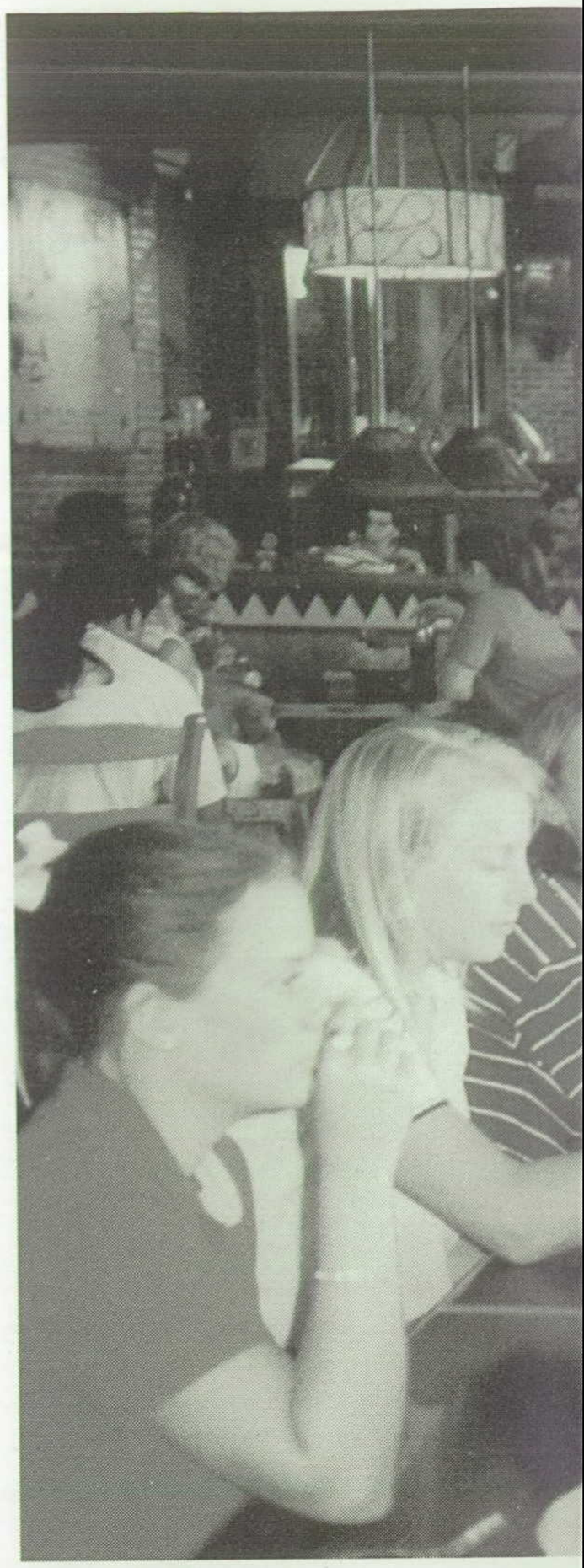
Musical Theatre members Anna Smith and Karen Pinkerton warm up their voices before going on stage for their performances in "Quilters". Students spent countless hours preparing for their performances under the direction of Mrs. Wallis and Mr. Mowles. The production took place the last weekend in May and was open to the public.

Musical Theatre

BACK: Mrs. Wallis, Lark Wallis, Amber Crawford, Kevin O'Shields, Julia Fitzgerald, Dustin Perez-Vitier, Amanda Jones, Joshua Wyatt, Janea Whightsil, Casey Curry, Mr. Mowles. **MIDDLE:** Loree Kovach, Tara Christensen, Holly Riddle, Mindy Jackson, Anna Smith. **FRONT:** Lindsay Kegans, Kareah Asebedo, Karen Pinkerton.

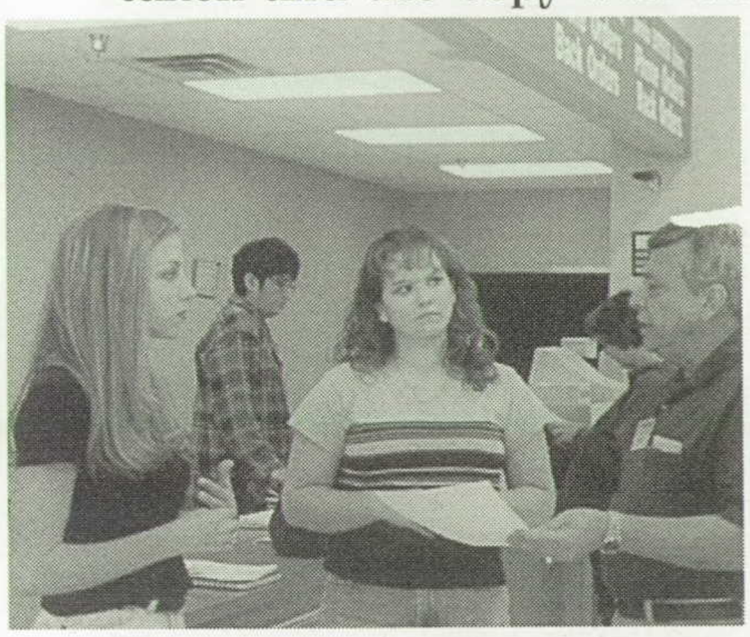
Cast members of "Quilters", Janea Whightsil and Lindsay Kegans, lead the other cast members during this portion of the production. All of the cast members played very versatile roles and did so very successfully.

CREATIVE *Outlooks*



All clubs and organizations had important goals that they hoped to achieve. Students had to be willing to give their time and effort to meet these goals. This was especially true in Yearbook, Journalism and Art. These students were challenged to go beyond the classroom, expressing themselves and their creativity.

The yearbook staff was determined to produce a book that could meet the growing demands of the student population. They doubled the overall book sales and budget over last year, which was truly outstanding. The mountains of work seemed to be endless at times. The theme was developed, the cover was designed, the photographs were taken and the copy was written. And when the last deadline was met, they knew that they had put together a great book that the school could be proud of.



Publicaton was also what the journalism class was about. They were responsible for the monthly newspaper, "Wildcat Tales". Students looked forward to catching the latest updates on school sports, academics and organizations. "Being in journalism has been a lot of work, but also a lot of fun," stated Amber Crawford.

Mr. Lenzmeier tapped into the creativity of the students in the Advanced Art class. They were given the opportunity to create a variety of projects using the different media available. Projects during the year included painting, ceramics and print making. "The relaxed environment allows you a chance to express yourself," commented Nick McCoy.

These three classes were instrumental in contributing to the overall creative spirit at Kennedale High School. by Ian Furman

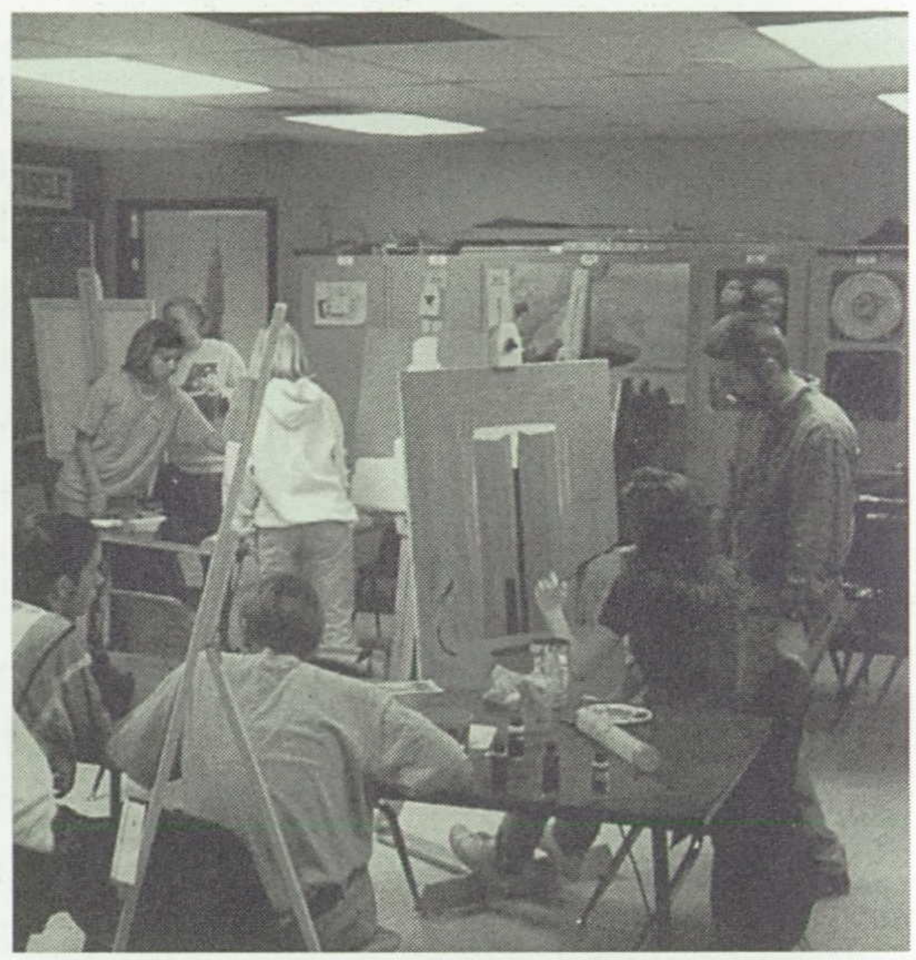
Journalism members Summer Morris and Rebecca Debrecht speak with the manager of Walgreens about purchasing an ad in the school newspaper. They sold advertising space on a regular basis to assist with the finances of printing the paper.

Journalism

BACK: Ms. Balthrop, Ashley Bullard, Amie Kirkpatrick, Janea Whightsil, Austin Johnson, Loree Kovach, Derik Patton, Joni Greenfield, Amber Crawford. **FRONT:** Heidi Golden, Summer Morris, Rebecca Debrecht.

Yearbook staff members celebrate the completion of the book by dining out at On the Border restaurant in Arlington. They were rewarded for all of their hard work and dedication.

The advanced art students experience painting on canvass with acrylic paints. They enhanced their talents by using a variety of art media while under the guidance of Mr. Lenzmeier.



Advanced Art

BACK: Jimmy Combs, Joshua Gossett, Nick McCoy, Rory Cooper, Billy Ward, Terry Baldwin, Scott Ward, Tim Wakeland, Joe Saurez, Mr. Lenzmeier. **FRONT:** Julie Marin, Christy Salinas, Amy Leither, Miche Garcia, Lesley Walls, Monica Santos, Linda Goldner.

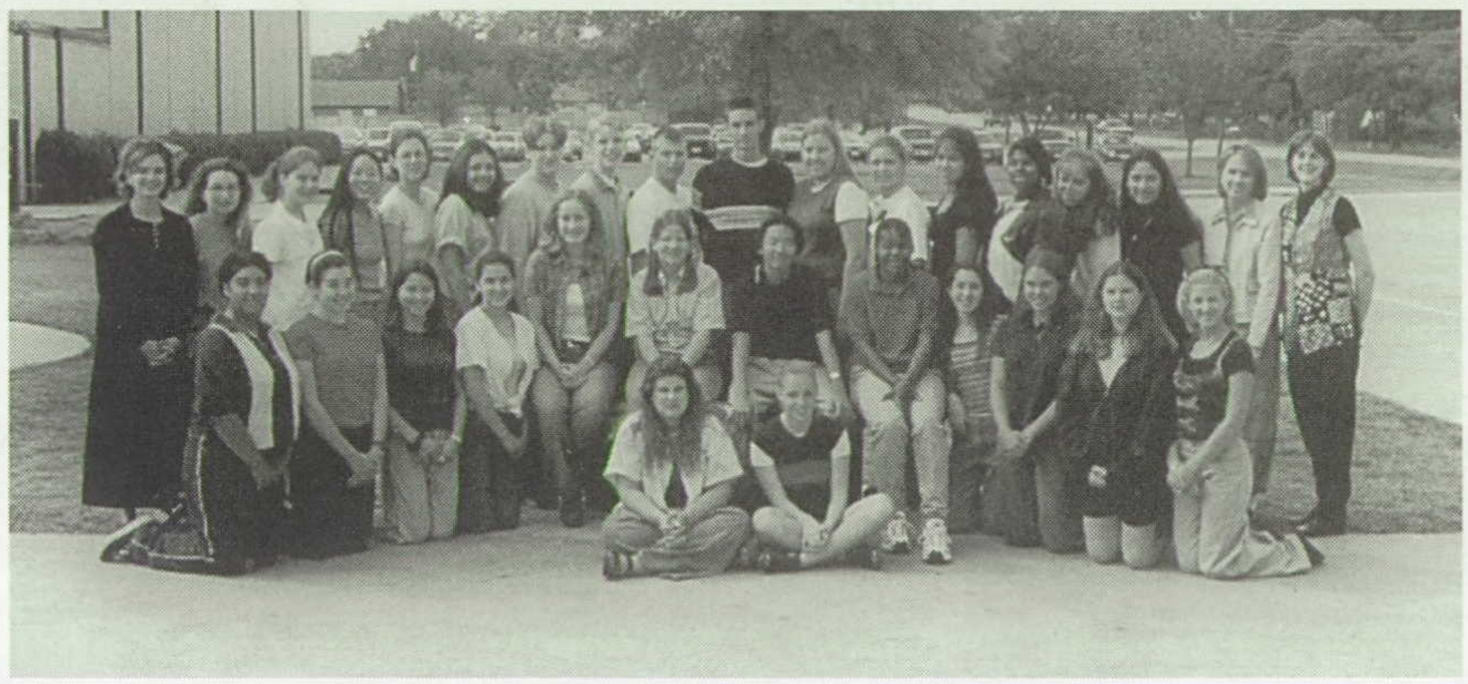
Yearbook

BACK: Maeghan Hurt, Jenny Jones, Brandi Little, Lindsay Kegans, Heather Schulze, Brandi Knox, Jennifer Armstrong. **FRONT:** Ian Furman, Jodie Reagan, Trisha O'Conner, Amy Casbeer, Jackie Casbeer, Ms. Boie.

The French I students show off their Mardi Gras masks and beads while partaking in the festivities arranged by french sponsor Ms. Jordan. They learned about the Mardi Gras celebration that is a tradition in various french speaking countries.

Spanish students dine at Don Pablos restaurant before attending a spanish speaking play performed at another area high school. The club sponsors went the extra mile to arrange trips such as this one, hoping that the students would learn more about the spanish culture.

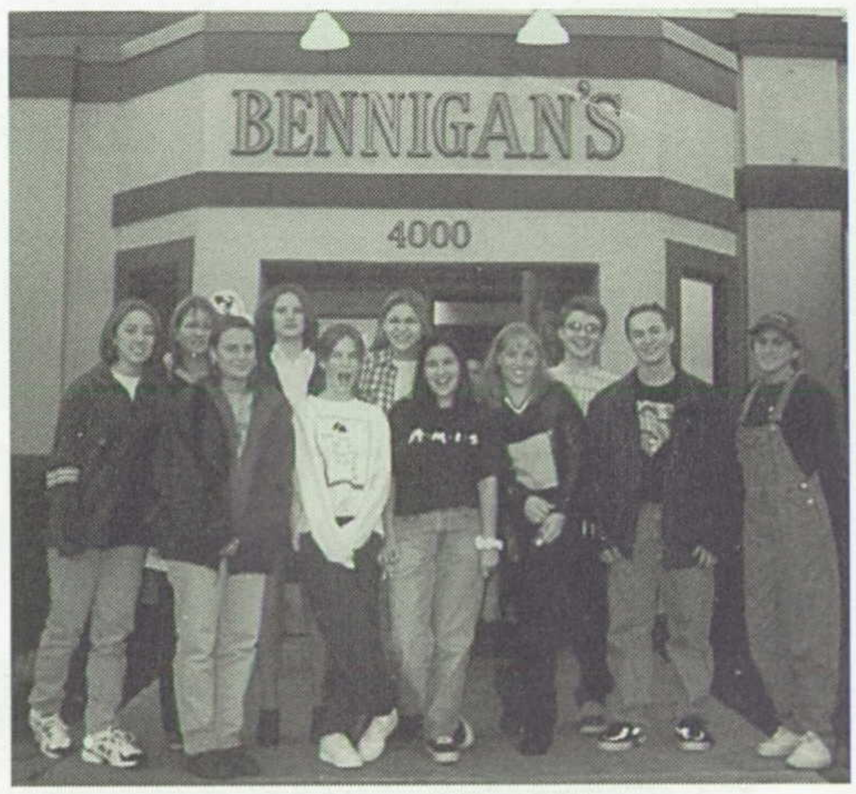
Foreign Language Club



BACK: Ms. Jordan, Jessica Wojtak, Tiffany Watts, Annie Ngoo, Michelle Wolfe, Jessica Johnson, Robert Boyle, Ian Furman, Chad Pearce, John Petry, Ashley Hall, Tara Christensen, Laura Lujan, Ebonee Winfrey, Ashlee Sturgeon, Selena Renteria, Ms. Grantham, Mrs. Bruntmyer. **MIDDLE:** Jennifer Smiley, Anna Smith, Brandi Little, Kareah Asebedo, Stephenie Keeton, Amber LaRiviere, Oliver Ho, Chaneera Francis, Therese Breault, Ashley Bullard, Nikki Fellows, Courtney McDaniel. **FRONT:** Amber Crawford, Jennifer Johnson.

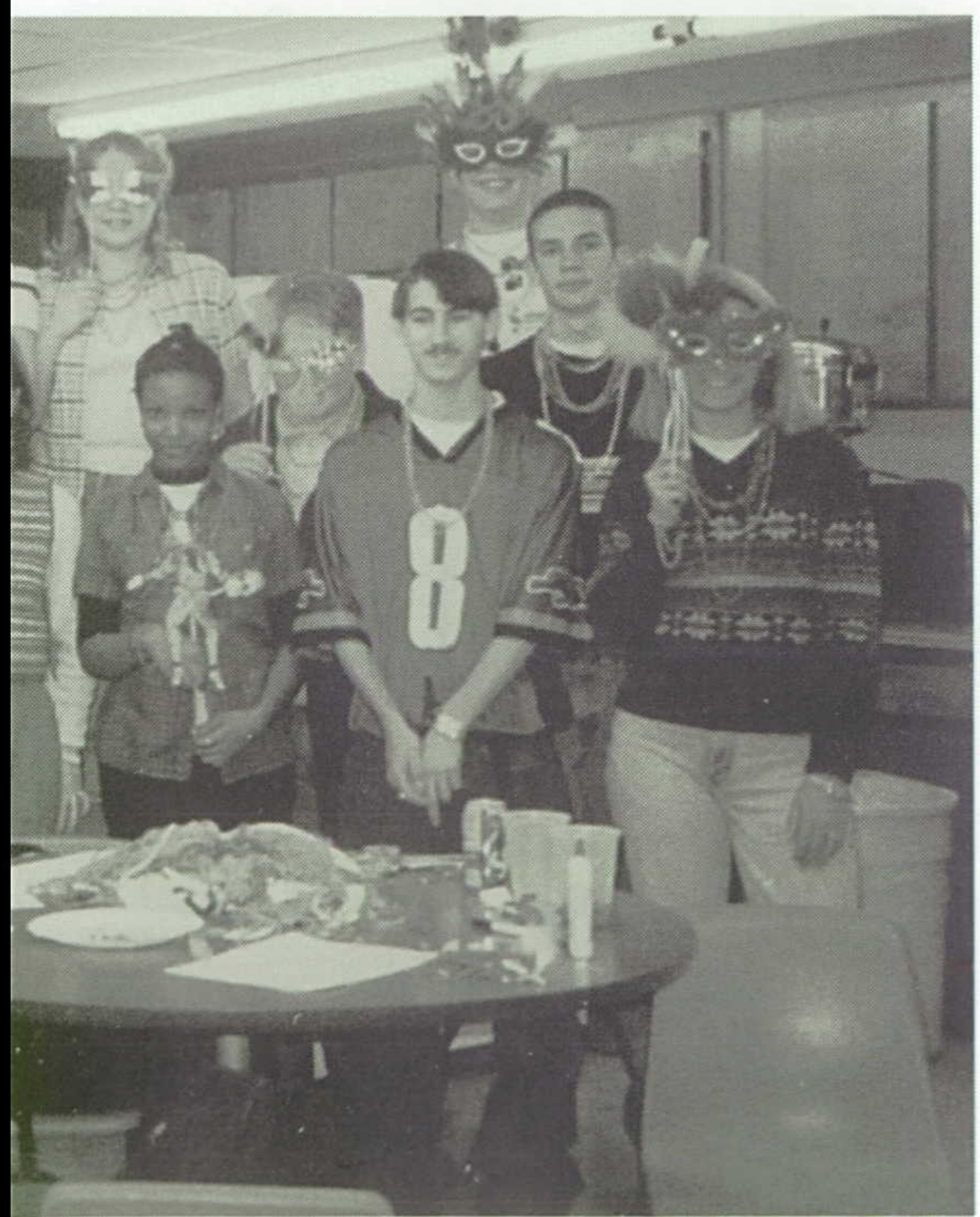
EXPLORING *Cultures*

Many students at Kennedale High School were involved in the Foreign Language Club. Both french and spanish students joined together to promote and increase the understanding of these languages. The students of FLC had the desire to learn about a culture different from their own.



To understand the language more effectively, these students got an upclose and personal look by way of in school activities and field trips arranged by the sponsors. They learned about the culture related to the language they chose to study. Many students were fortunate to have had the opportunity to travel to the country itself. "Being a member of the Foreign Language Club has been very rewarding. We work together to raise money so we may explore the cultures that we study," stated member Jennifer Johnson.

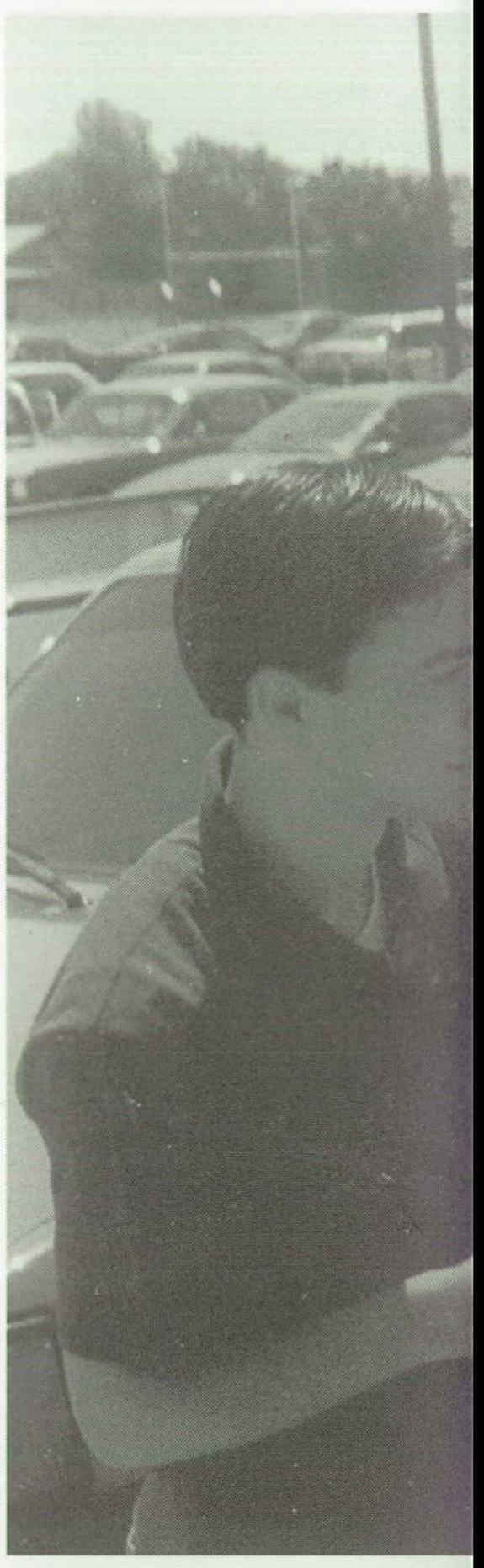
All of the Foreign Language Club members worked hard and their dedication paid off when they got to spend time with their friends while learning a new and unique culture. by Jackie Casbeer



The french students and sponsor Ms. Jordan eat King Cake while learning about the meaning behind the week long Mardi Gras festivities. Unable to attend a Mardi Gras elsewhere, they brought the party to Kennedale High School.

Foreign Language Club students meet at Bennigans in Arlington for one of their monthly activities. They worked hard at fund raising so they could enjoy outside of school meetings such as this.

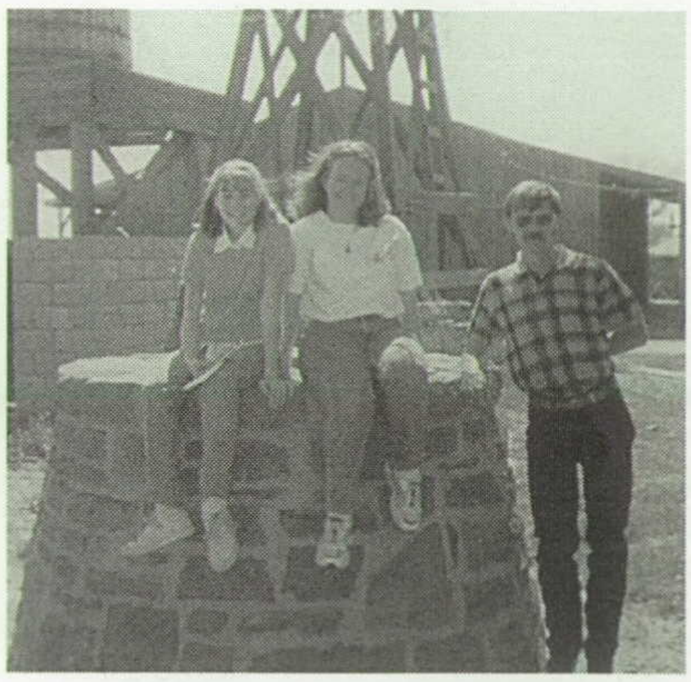
DOING FOR *Others*



Many students on campus felt obligated to participate in clubs that upheld the responsibilities of looking out for fellow classmates and faculty. Three of the organizations that proved this to be true were PAL, Crime Stoppers and SADD.

Students were selected to be a part of Peer Assistance and Leadership following an application, recommendation and interviewing process. The PAL members received training on how to become a peer assistant. They were assigned students at the primary, elementary and junior high schools in the district to work with.

Crime Stoppers were students who were interested in keeping campus crime down. An appropriate amount of money was offered as a reward when a crime had been committed and reported. They were very successful in solving and preventing campus crime. Some of the activities that the Crime Stoppers sponsored were the Pumpkin Raffle and the Broom Ball Hockey game.



The Students Against Dangerous Decisions was an organization that supported living without a dependence on drugs or alcohol. The SADD members held various fundraisers from which they financed various community activities such as making cards and socks for those living in Pecan Manor Nursing Home during Christmas time. The most elaborate activity involved a presentation of an anti-smoking program sponsored by the American Lung Association.

All of these organizations committed themselves to improve Kennedale and make it a quality school that students could be proud of.

by Brandi Little

Crime Stoppers Shelly Watts, Heidi Westall and Detective Shafer represent Kennedale at the third annual Texas Campus Crime Stoppers conference in Odessa in March. They attended workshops to further their understanding of how to get students to effectively use the program.

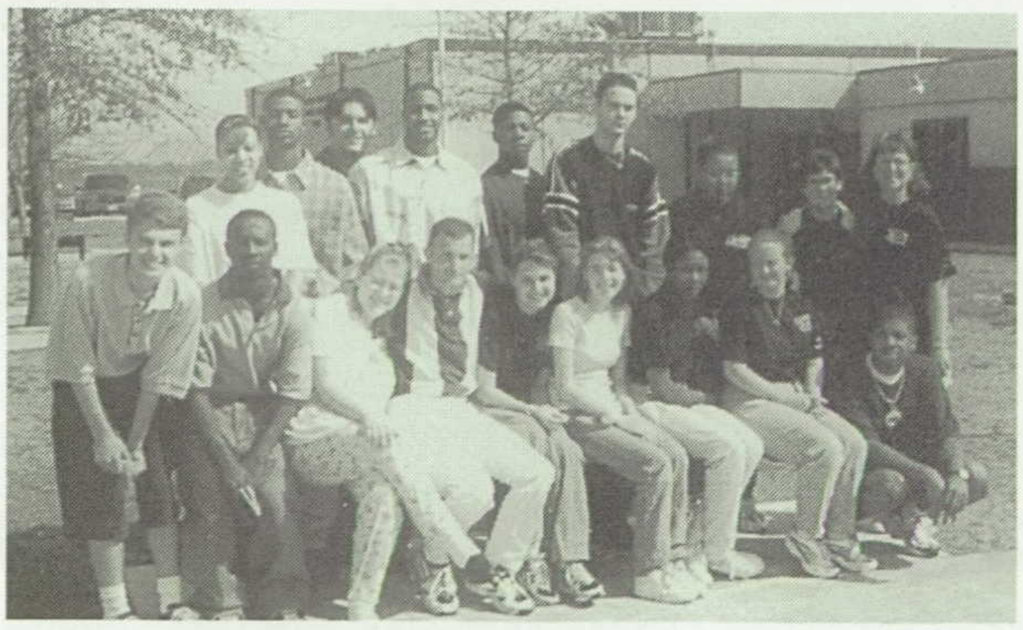
Peer Assistance and Leadership

BACK: Mr. Lenzmeier, Kevin O'Shields, Sara Hamilton, Jerrett Goodwyn, Nigel Smith, Crystal Bahleda, Mandy Harmoney, Mike Agnello. **FRONT:** Misti Biondi, Heidi Golden, Myra Garcia, Karen Pinkerton, Jessica Wojtak, Michael Chavez, Keri Baldwin, Amie Kirkpatrick.

SADD members Jason Nelson and Ali Yasin tie the symbolic red ribbons around car antennas in the student parking lot. The ribbons were to remind students to be aware of the dangers of drinking and driving over the Christmas holidays.

Rebecca Wynalda, PAL Keri Baldwin, Rebecca Debrecht and PAL Myra Garcia are "on call" as emergency room physicians while attending the third annual PAL sponsored Halloween Dance. Many students participated and the dance was once again considered a success.

Texas Campus Crime Stoppers

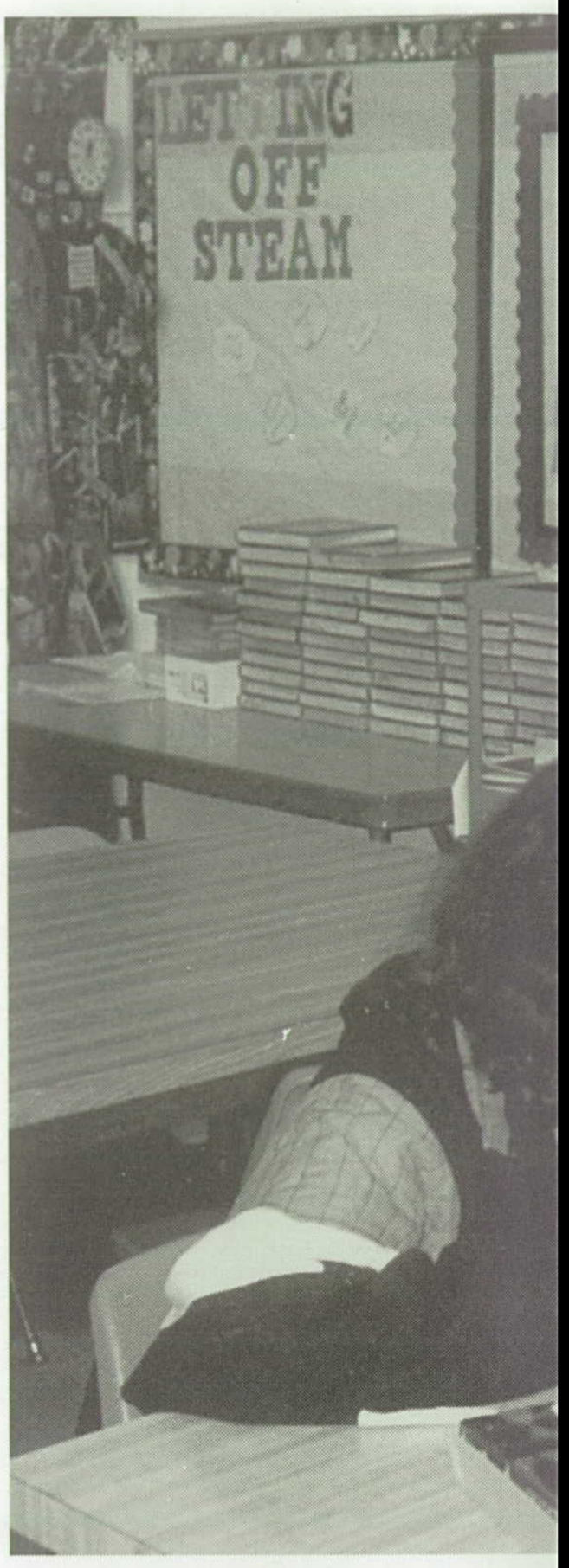


BACK: Myriah Anderson, Byron Ross, Alfredo Parra, Patrick Fuller, Jordan Spradley, Justin Reynolds, Shametra McCain, Misty Kershman, Mrs. Ward. **FRONT:** Mike Agnello, Kenton Owens, Brandy Budenich, Billy Patton, Courtney Brewer, Shelly Watts, Akua Asare, Heidi Westall, Peter Griffin.

Students Against Dangerous Decisions

BACK: Mrs. Scarborough, Misty Kershman, Laurie Peterson, Kris Ballew, Ronnie Loge, Shametra McCain. **FRONT:** Myriah Anderson, Veronica Rushing, Sara Hamilton, Karen Pinkerton. **Not Pictured:** Sara White, Akua Asare.

COMMON *Interests*



The interests of some of the recently established organizations at Kennedale High School varied from religious harmony to challenging the mind while competing.

The Science, Math and Related Technologies, also referred to as SMART club, was focused and dedicated to math, science and advancement of technology. They designed and constructed a remote control robot and participated in a competition with twenty-four other high schools. Club member Kristy Salinas said, "I enjoy math and science, therefore being a part of the SMART club allows me to use my interests and enhance technology."

Another new organization was First Priority. The purpose of First Priority was to create a Christian youth group for all denominations. A base for positive Christian influence and opportunities on campus was built. Member Lindsay Compton stated, "I am a follower of Christ and believe that the youth today are proud to carry on His work ."

The Chess Club consisted of students who had an interest in this mental sport. They met informally during lunch to practice their skills and compete against one another. The club has not yet competed against other schools, however, they looked forward to doing so in the future. Member Chris Galle stated, "Chess is a hobby of mine, and now I am able to challenge my teachers and friends to a friendly game of chess."

The SMART Club, First Priority and Chess Club were very successful in bringing together students that shared common interests. by Brandi Knox

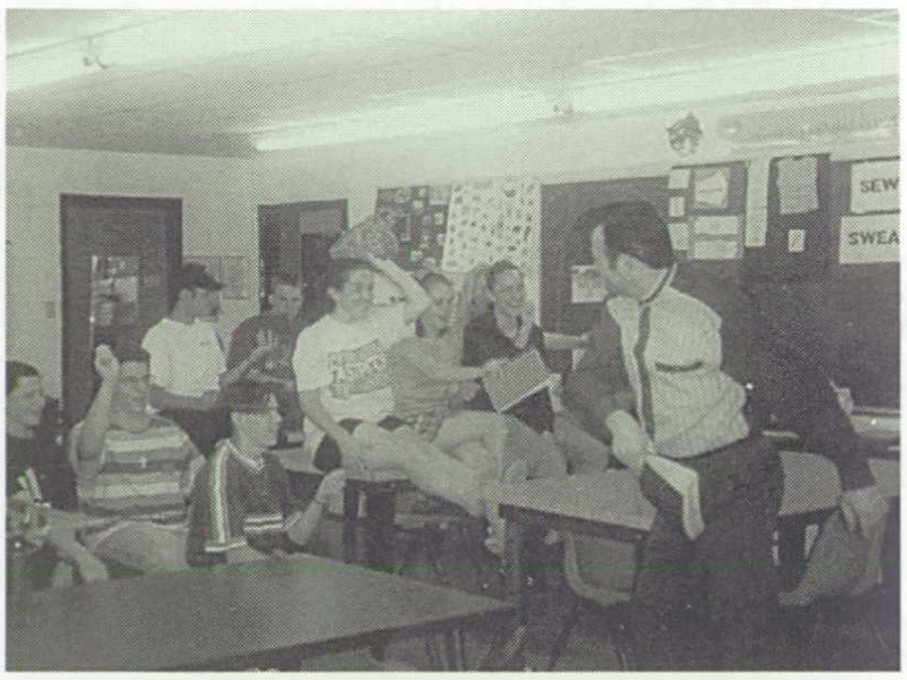
SMART Club members and sponsor Ms. Hinz display the robot that they developed for the Dallas BEST competition in October. The contest was created to inspire and motivate students interested in careers in engineering, science and technology.

Chess Club

BACK: Coach York, Karin Prince, Mark Cross, Casey Brewer, Mr. Rogers. **FRONT:** Eric Medlock, Josh Gray, Tom Humiston, Stephen Patterson.

Chess Club members Jennifer Lopez and Casey Brewer challenge each other to a game of chess during their lunch hour. Many members met during lunch daily to test their skills against each other and the sponsors.

First Priority members enthusiastically listen to their guest speaker Mr. John Webster. The meetings were held on a weekly basis, every monday evening, and were open to anyone who wanted to join.



First Priority

BACK: Shametra McCain, Ann Fuentes, Ian Furman, Casey Curry, Michael Arenare, Trey Mulkey, Stephen Patterson, Chris Bednar, Tom Humiston. **FRONT:** Teresa Melendez, Amanda Carter, Lenora Ivison, Jessica Wojtak, Mike Taylor, Holley Baker, Mrs. Watts, Courtney Drew, Robyn Bednar, Clay Rickard.

Science, Math and Related Technologies

BACK: Ryan Nelson, Alex Marin, Mark Cross, Matt Smith, Michelle Wolfe, Mike Martin, Wayne Richardson. **FRONT:** Julie Marin, Heidi Westall, Jennifer Lopez, Mike Arenare, Ms. Hinz.

AND THE BAND *Plays On*

It takes attitude, spirit and pride to accomplish the many goals set by the 1997-98 Wildcat Band. The band was recognized for their half-time performances at football games and the excitement they brought to the pep rallies.

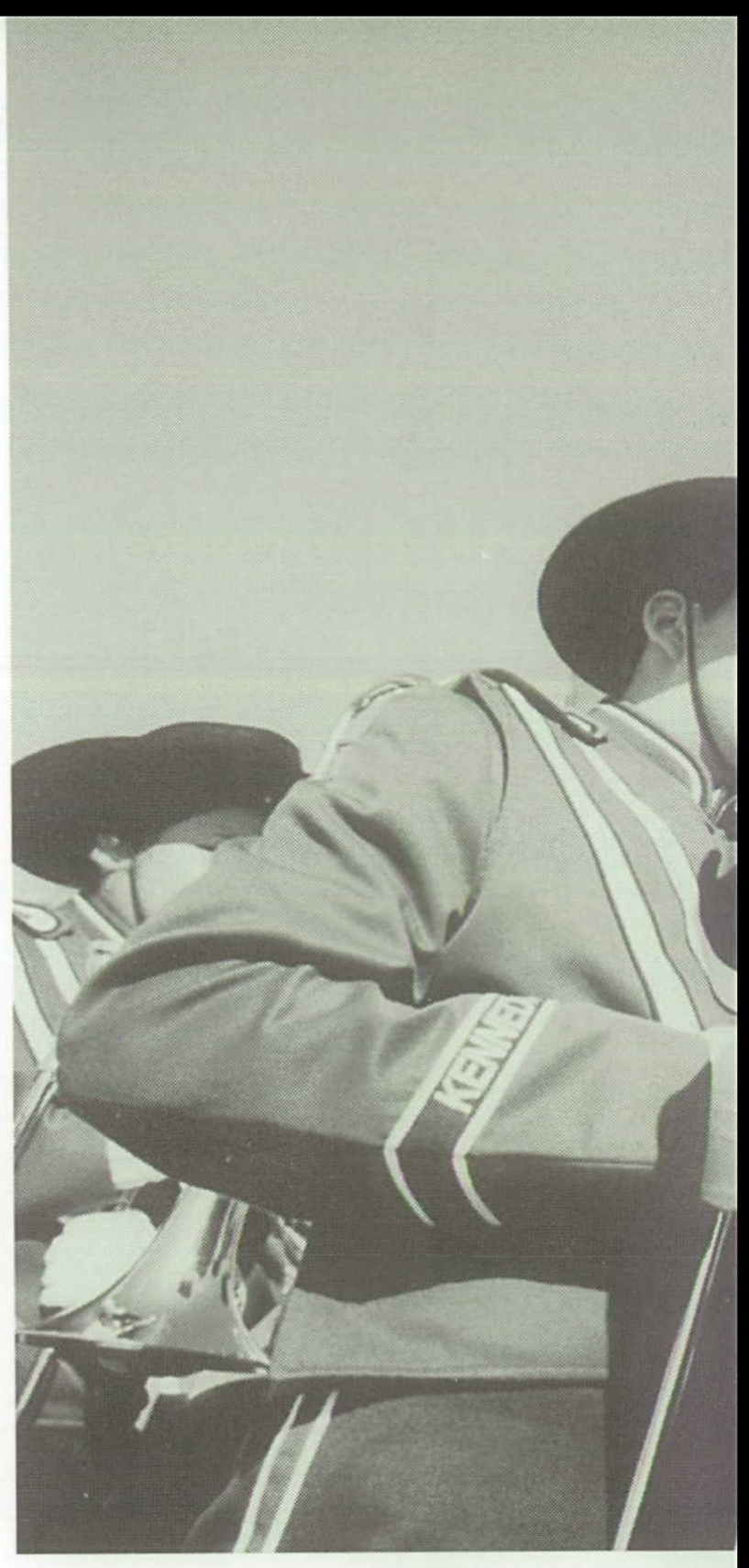
There is much more, however, that the band accomplished throughout the year. They continued their tradition of being a top ranked marching and concert band. They prepared for the marching season by meeting for eight hours daily for two weeks during the summer. ''Even though we had to loose countless hours of sleep by being required to practice at 7:30am every morning and giving up our Saturdays, it was all worth it when the judges gave us a One rating,'' commented senior Justin Reynolds. Keeping the tradition alive by getting a superior rating at the marching contest at Pennington Field gave the band a lot of hope for the upcoming concert season and made them feel that their dedication had paid off.

The band also participated in a concert to test their playing and sight reading skills. The most challenging part of the contest was the sight reading portion. The band had to play one piece of music through, to the best of their ability without previously seeing it. The band received an excellent rating for both the concert and sight reading portions of the contest.

The marching band excelled this year under the guidance of Mr. Dannheim and they all thrived on the competition and winning. It was another outstanding year for them as they accomplished all goals set while having a great time learning from one another.

by Trisha O'Connor

The Kennedale High School Band excitedly plays the Fight Song at the 1997 Homecoming Pep Rally. The Fight Song was played at the beginning of each pep rally to introduce the players and promote school spirit.



The Wildcat Band warms up outside of the stadium before the 1997 Marching Contest. The warm up was a requirement before every performance.

Trey Mulkey and Daniel Wilson wait patiently for their turn to march on to Pennington Field. The band received a Superior rating at the contest.

Drum Major Tim Layne salutes to the judges as the band is called on to the field. The salute signalled the beginning of their performance at the competition at Pennington Field.

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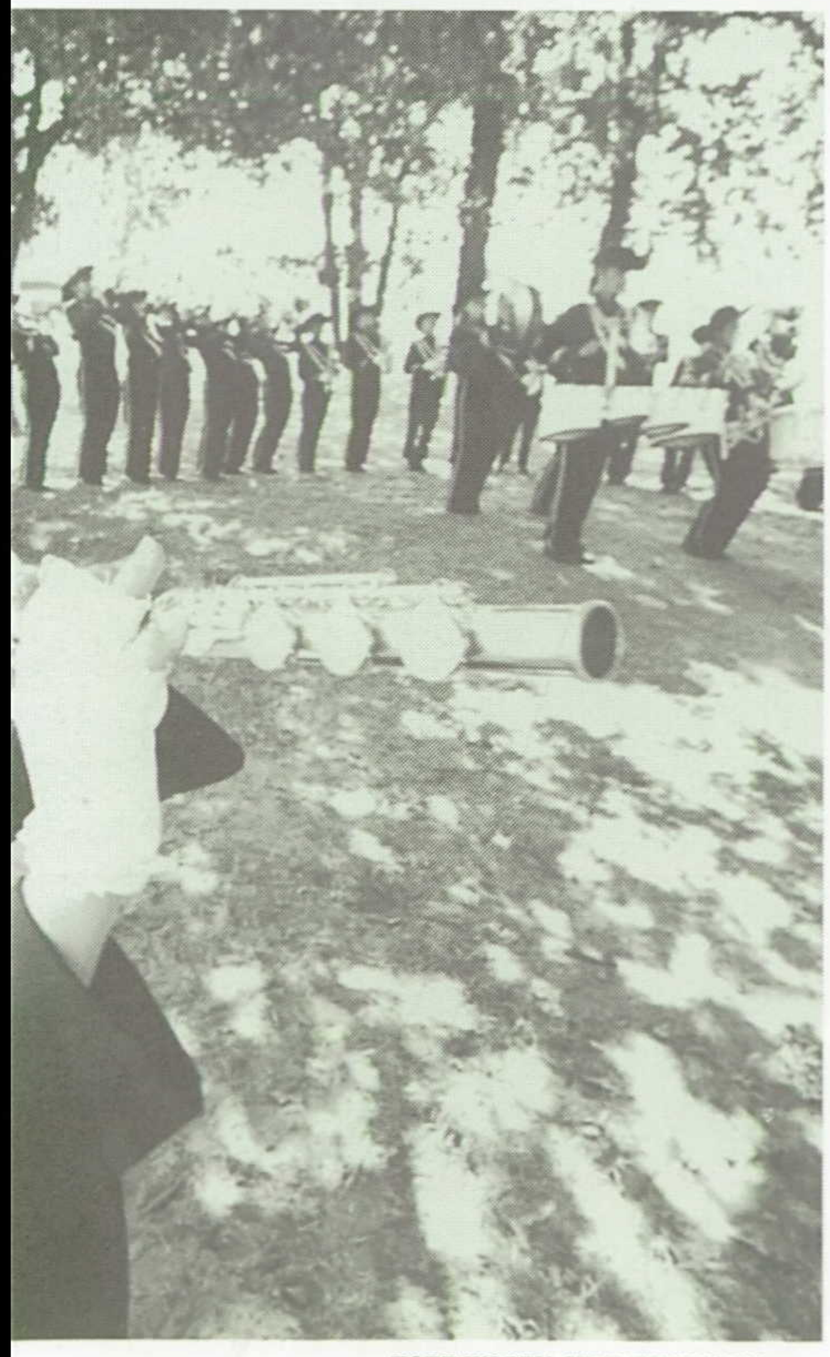

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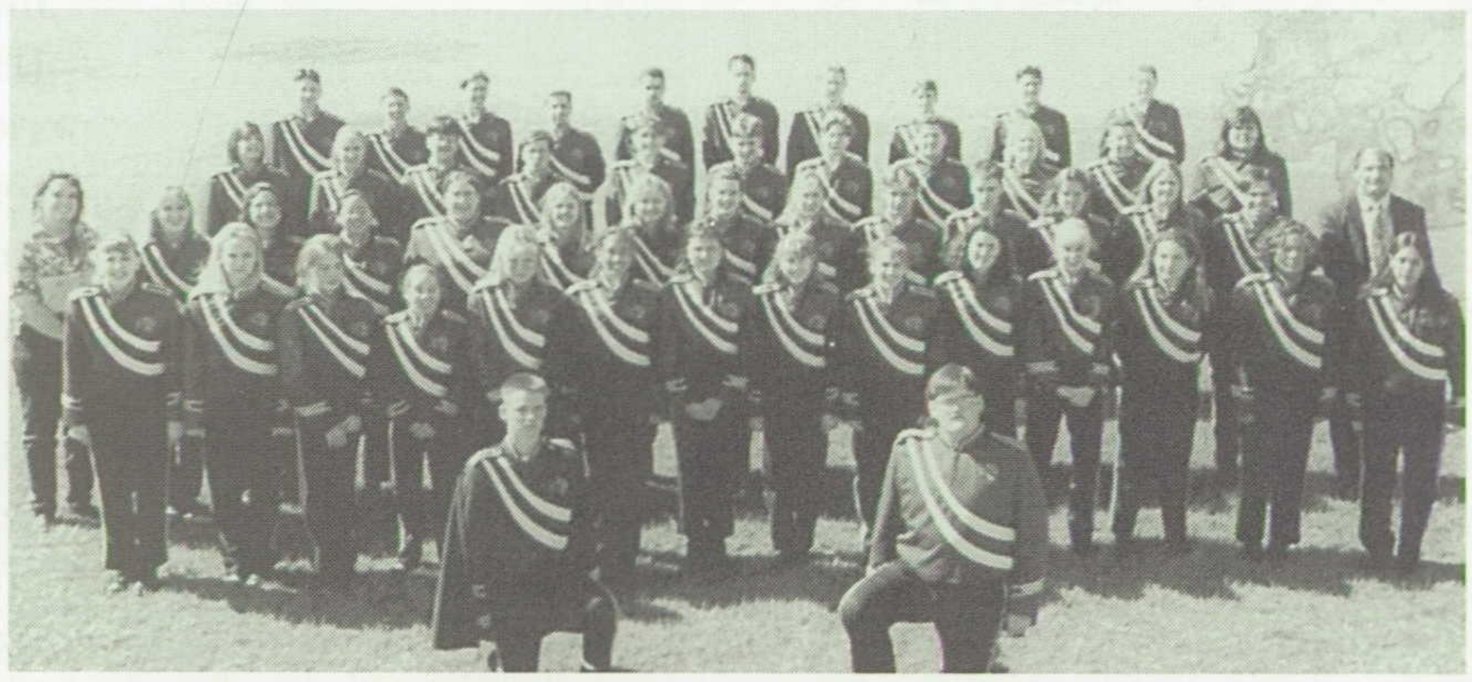
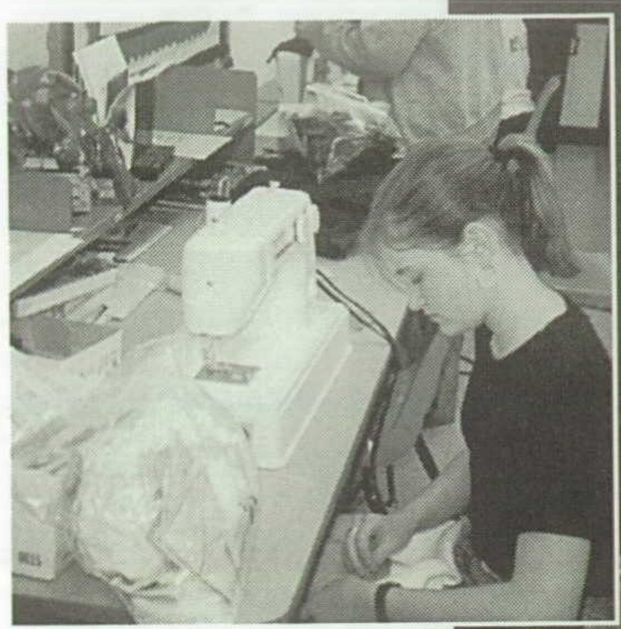
Marching Band



BACK: Mark Cross, Jimmy Little, Corey Biggs, Chris Baker, Andrew Sheffler, Justin Reynolds, Chad Baker, Stephen Patterson, Mike Arenare, Mike Martin. **FOURTH:**Susan Massey, Melissa Daniels, Eric Medlock, Tim Johnson, Crystal Bahleda, Tom Humiston, Ryan Nelson, Joshua Wyatt, Holley Baker, Casey Brewer, Elizabeth Gutierrez. **MIDDLE:** Mrs. Paul, Kelly Dickens, Lindsay Hampton, Annie Ngoo, Robin Smith, Amy Wicks, Mandy Harmoney, Brandi Jowers, Keri Baldwin, John Morrison, Scotty Messer, Brittany Jowers, Andrea Douty, Chris Bednar, Mr. Dannheim. **SECOND:** Kristen Jernigan, Amanda Carter, Tiffany Watts, Meghan O'Connor, Robyn Bednar, Lauren Billman, Ray Ray Warner, Shelly Watts, Trisha O'Connor, Jennifer Lopez, Lenora Ivison, Jessica Wojtak, Lindsay Hernandez, Christina Castillo. **FRONT:** Mike Taylor, Tim Layne.

Home economics student Erin Lankford finishes the edges on her sweater before school. Many students utilized the sewing lab before and after school to complete their assignments.



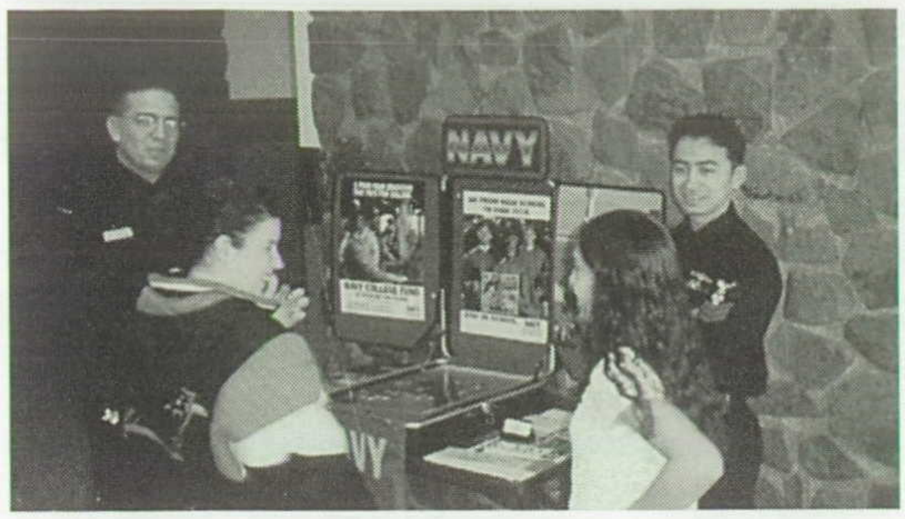
The band students receive their awards at the Fine Arts Award Banquet. The banquet was held in May to honor all students who excelled in the fine arts.

Senior Amy Casbeer receives a perfect attendance award from Mrs. Stevens at the Academic Awards Banquet. She maintained perfect attendance K-12.

The UIL One Act Play performed "On the Verge", taking it to the state competition level. They placed fourth in the state, competing against two hundred and sixty-seven other 3A high schools which is truly remarkable.

Academics

Homework, term papers, group projects and tests. Although students gained more than an education while in high school, the academics provided the foundation to build on. A varied curriculum was offered in order to meet students needs and interests. There were the requirements, the electives, the vocational and technical classes, and the advanced placement. Minds were developed, ideas were created, languages were learned and college credit was attained. Students not only gained knowledge, but they broadened their horizons and opened doors of opportunity. The teachers at Kennedale High School were here to educate these bright young minds, but more importantly they prepared these students for success in the real world, regardless of where life took them.



CHOOSE *your own* PATH

Self sufficiency was ideal and preparing students for life after high school was the goal of the faculty and staff at Kennedale High School.

Kennedale High School offered students many opportunities to get a jump on life and begin preparing for their future. School guidance counselors Dr. Ellsworth and Ms. Sposato tried to ensure that all students needs were met when it came to life after high school. Self sufficiency was ideal and meeting the individual needs of the students was their goal.

All students chose a different path whether it be attending a four year college, or a vocational or technical school. Joining the military or immediately entering the work world was also an option.

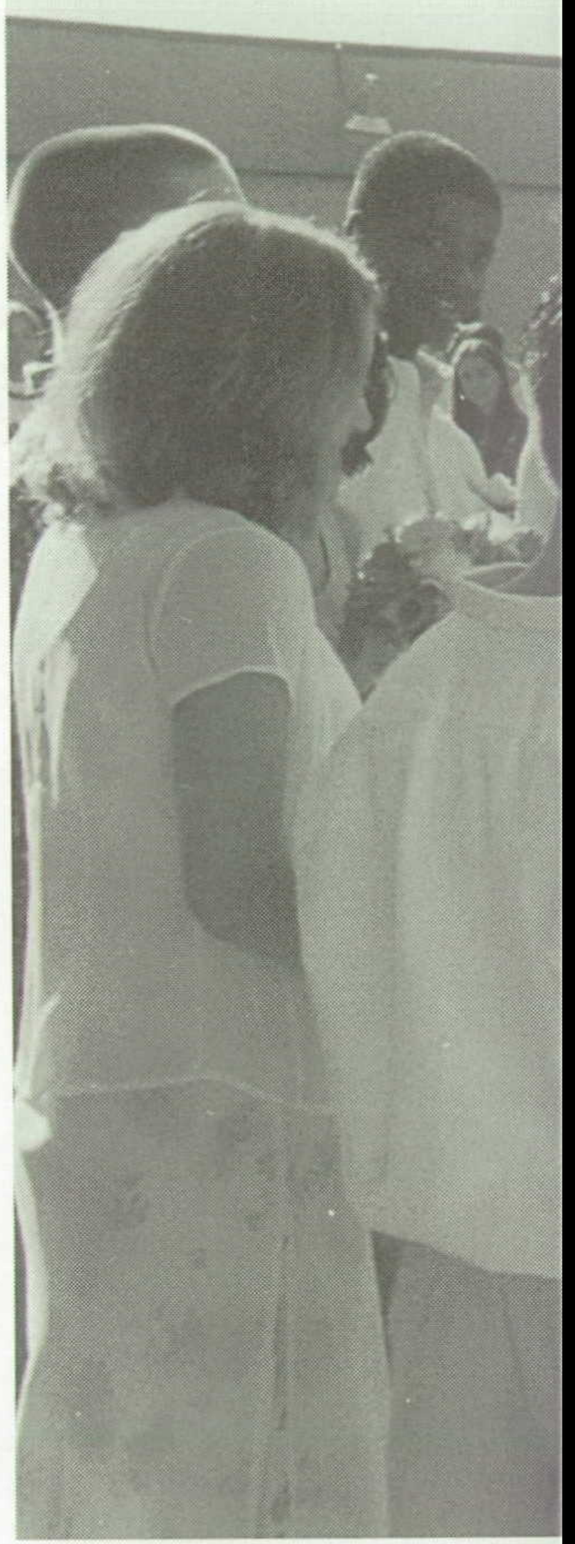
Students gained more than an education through the vocational classes that were offered. Many received job placement and on the job training through these programs which made them invaluable to students who planned to enter the work world immediately following high school. "Our goal is to prepare students for the real world after high school," stated vocational instructor Mr. Easley.

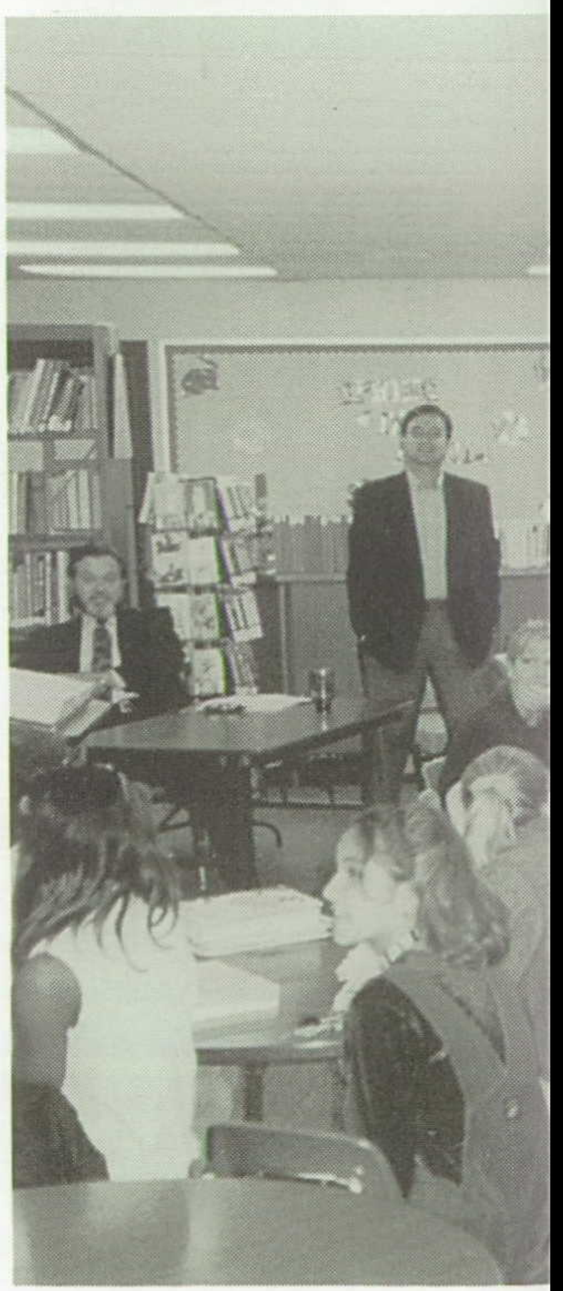
Scholarship and financial aid information was readily available in the counselors office for those that wished to apply. In the fall, a college and career night was held for the students and community. Throughout the year "college sweatshirt days" were designated and the faculty supported this by wearing their sweatshirts and showing pride in their alma mater.

The branches of the military frequented the school to recruit students and inform them of the opportunities that were open to them should they choose the Army, Navy, Air Force or Marines.

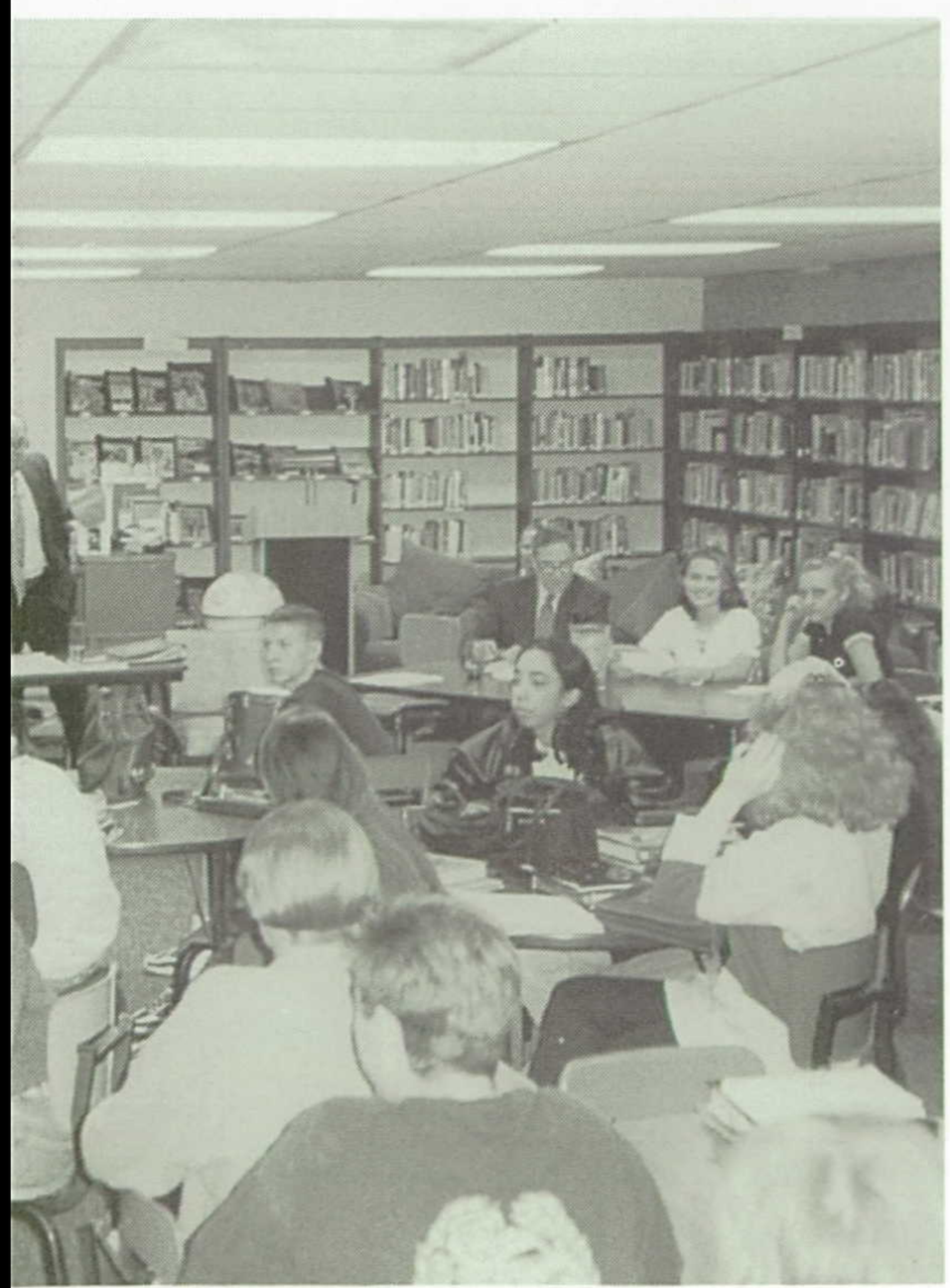
Success for students upon graduation was the goal of everyone involved and the staff did their best to meet each individuals needs.

by Amy Casbeer

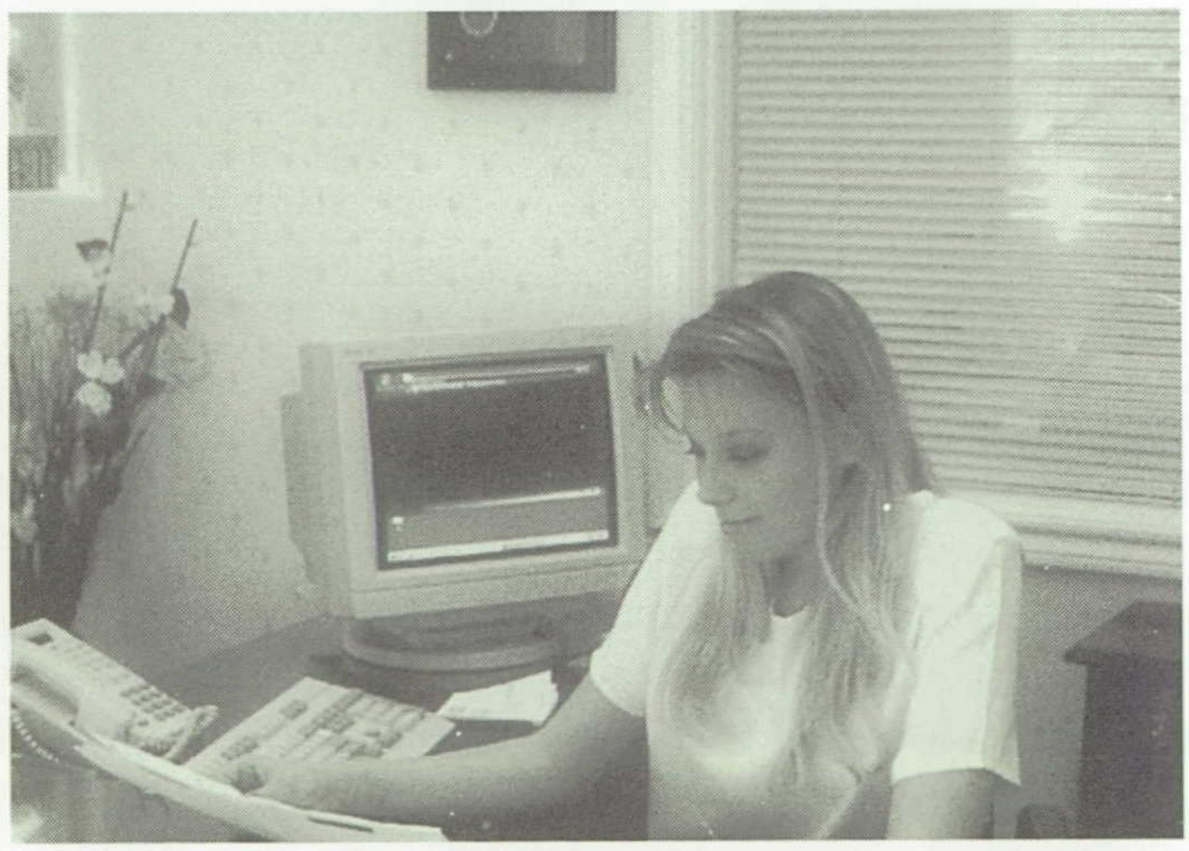




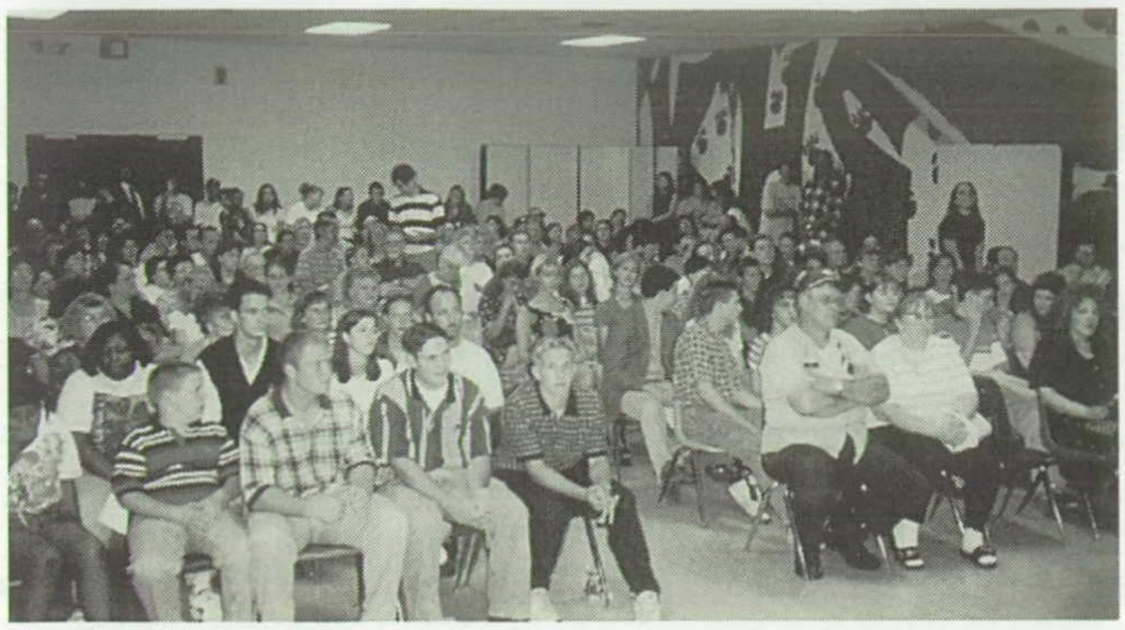
Coach "Reverand" Trantham pronounces the couples husband and wife for a day. This traditional ceremony was sponsored by Mrs. Worley's sociology class and was followed by a lovely reception.



Mrs. Heath's third period Government class holds a mock trial to get a closer look at what takes place in a Texas court room. The lawyers that conducted the trial represented the Arlington Bar Association.



Amy Latimer gains hands on experience as a receptionist for Nation Wide Insurance. Her employment was attained through Mr. Easley's MOCT Class and she was definitely a success story.



Students and parents attend the year end Academic Awards Banquet ceremony. Many of the Advanced Placement students were recognized for their achievements.

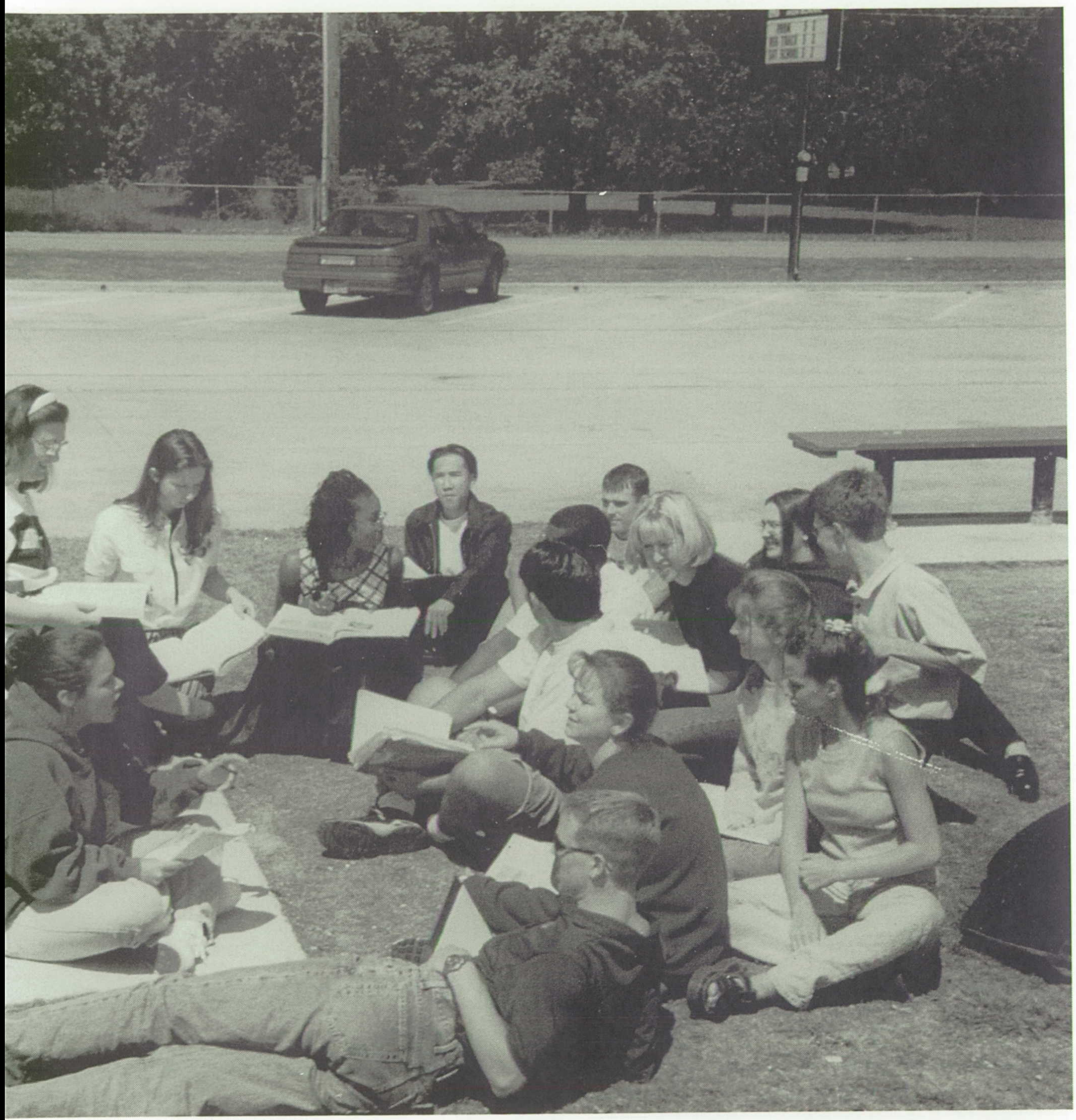
COLLEGE BOUND

For the students that wanted to further challenge themselves, the College Board's Advanced Placement program provided them the opportunity to take college-level studies while in high school.

Academics were the first priority of many Wildcats. Maintaining their grade point average drove many students to excel and stay on top.

The curriculum at Kennedale High School offered a variety of courses that aimed at better preparing students for life after high school. For the students that wanted to further challenge themselves, the College Board's Advanced Placement program was available. This program provided students the opportunity to pursue college-level studies while in high school and to receive either advanced placement, college credit or both.

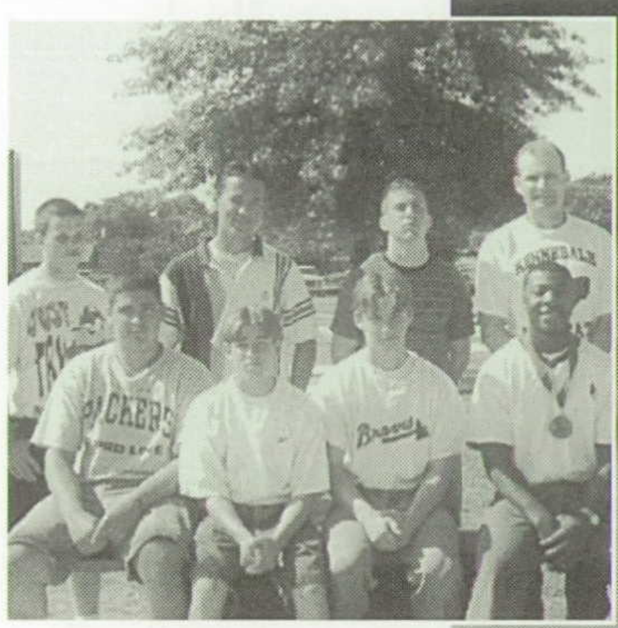
This year Kennedale High School offered Advanced Placement English, Government, Economics, Biology and U.S. History. Guidance counselor Ms. Sposoto predicted that as the school continues to grow, so will the variety of classes within the Advanced Placement program. She stated,"I am very, very proud of the number of students that have taken advantage of this program. The numbers doubled this year over last year. I am also very proud of the dedication of the AP teachers. They spent one week of their summer attending an Advanced Placement institute to better help them stay abreast of the discipline. That says a lot."



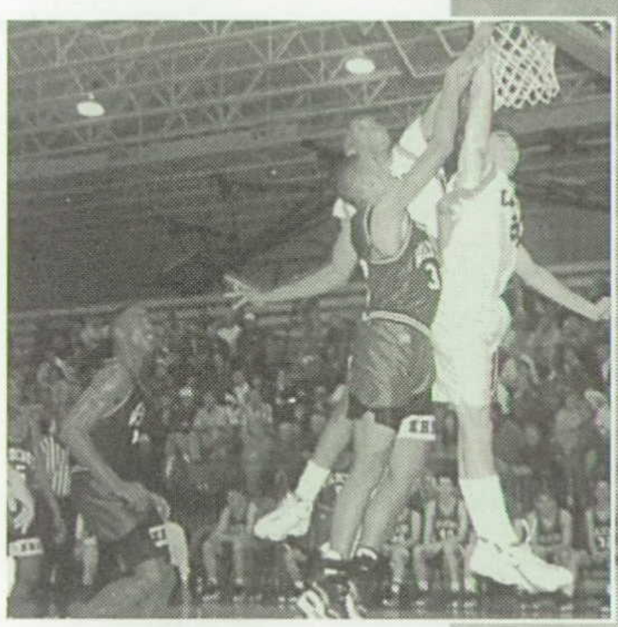
Mrs. Heath's Advanced Placement Economics class prepares for their upcoming exam on the federal reserve. They often held class outdoors for a change in atmosphere.

The Varsity Volleyball team takes a break during their pre-game warm up. They went on to defeat Royse City at home, 15-7, 15-12.

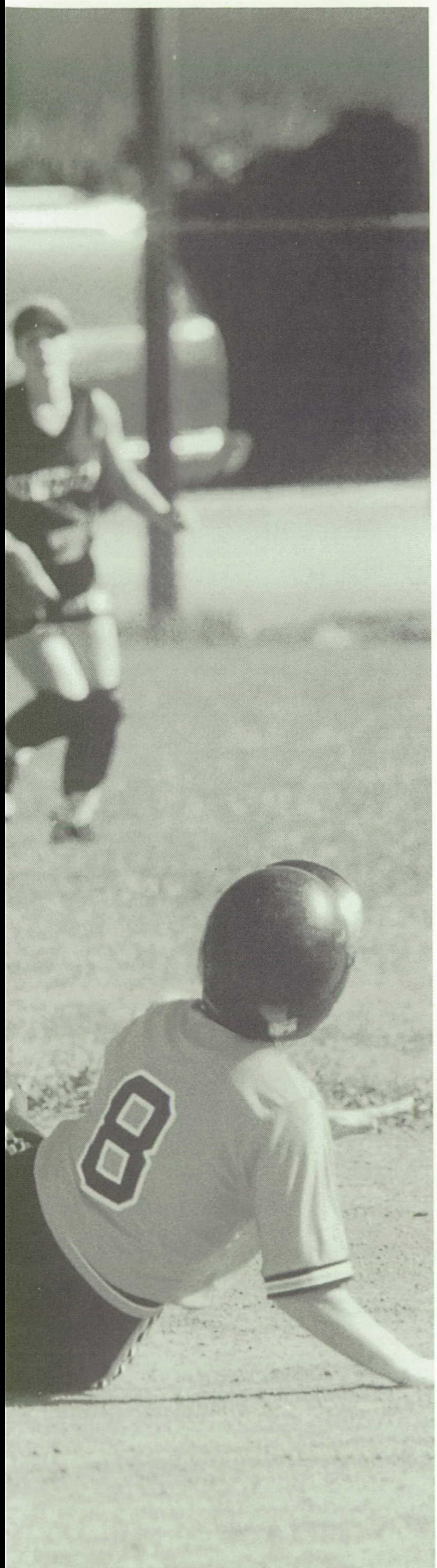
Kennedale's first Power Lifting team represented the school in competition this year. They look forward to competing at a higher level in the future as they gain strength and endurance. They were sponsored by Coach Lockhart.



Varsity basketball player Jerrett Goodwyn hustles past the defense to score for the Wildcats. Jerrett was on the First Team All-District and was All-Tournament at Peaster and Rio Vista.



Varsity Cross Country members and Coach Lenzmeier proudly dsplay their medals. They won District and placed second at Regionals, advancing to State.



FORT WORTH STAR-TELEGRAM

Sports

The students and community were brought together as one in support of an incredible year in athletics. Kennedale High School was fortunate to have had so many gifted athletes that stood out not only in the district, but also in the state. They made their fellow classmates proud and gave them something to cheer about. The athletes dedication resulted in many touchdowns, home runs, baskets and firsts across the finish line. The competition was fierce and the winning was prevalent. Now that all is said and done, we would like to thank all athletes and coaches for your outstanding efforts and another unforgettable year in sports.

HARD FOUGHT SEASON

Filling the voids left by the devastating injuries became a struggle as the season progressed.

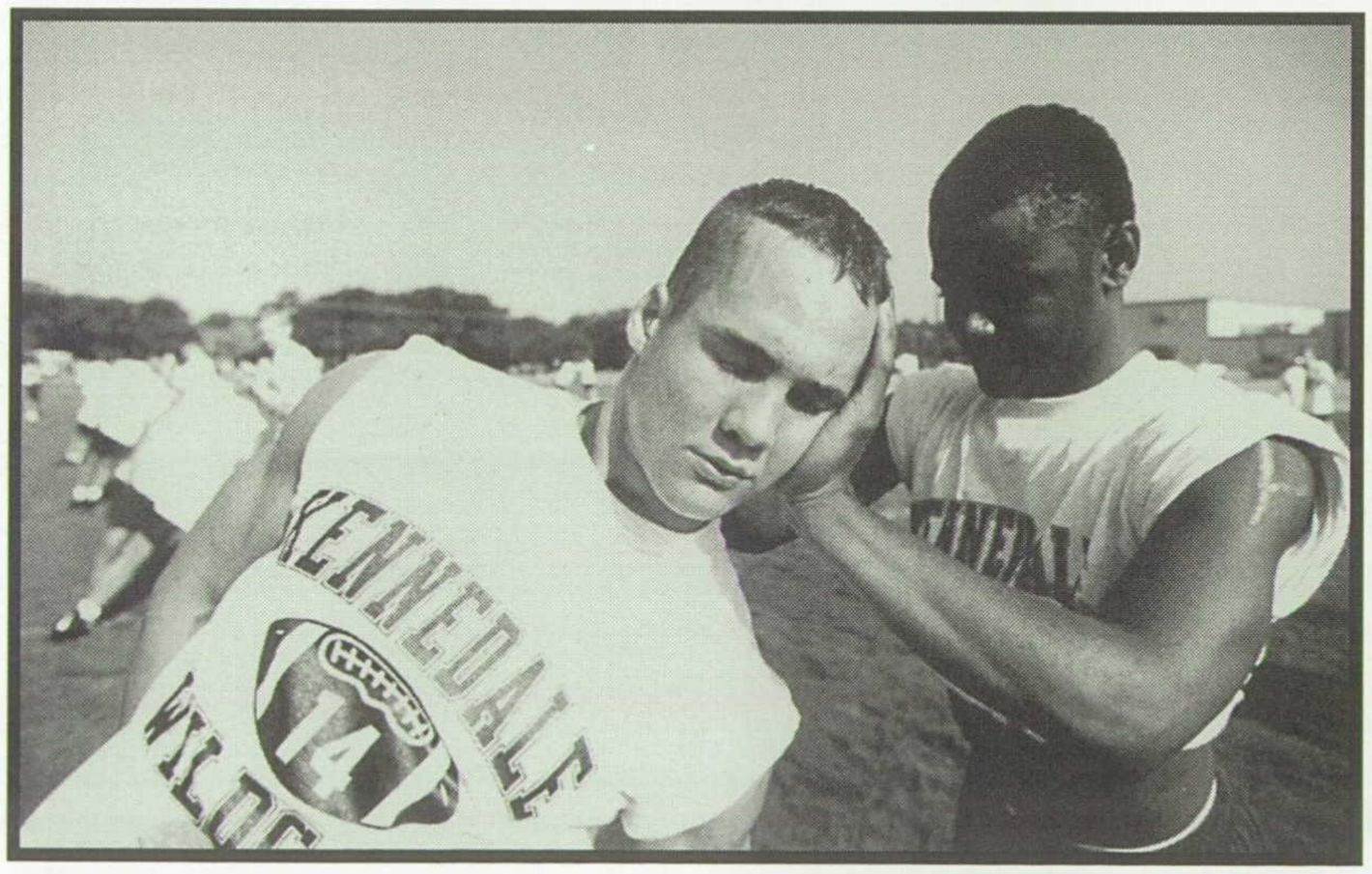
The football season could best be described as couragous. Athletes stepped up and played positions that were either different from anything they had played or at a higher level than they ever thought possible.

The season kicked off against Aledo, a team that later reached the state semi-finals. The boys played extremely hard, but injuries had depleted the troops and they had a difficult time keeping up with this championship team.

As the year progressed, filling the voids left by devastating injuries became extremely difficult. The junior varsity players were pulled together for the district run.

The Wildcats showed their true spirit against North Dallas. Shane Middleton lead the way on offense and Alfredo Parra rallied the defense to give the homecoming crowd a 38-6 victory. The Wildcat's inexperience caught up with them as they struggled to stay up with their size and speed, but with resounding courage they bounced back. Dallas Madison was the next victim as the defense again put their offense in check. This set the stage for Ferris versus Kennedale, one of the most exciting games in the area. The two teams scored until the final minutes of the game. The Wildcats were ahead and thought they had the win, however, Ferris had their own big plays and scored in the final seconds. Without losing their courage, the Wildcats never recovered and lost the final two games.

The season was disappointing for the Wildcats, but they gained experience that would be invaluable to the team in 1998-99.



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Shayne Middleton and Paskell Elliott assist each other with their cervical stretches. The stretching routines were essential in preventing any further injuries.

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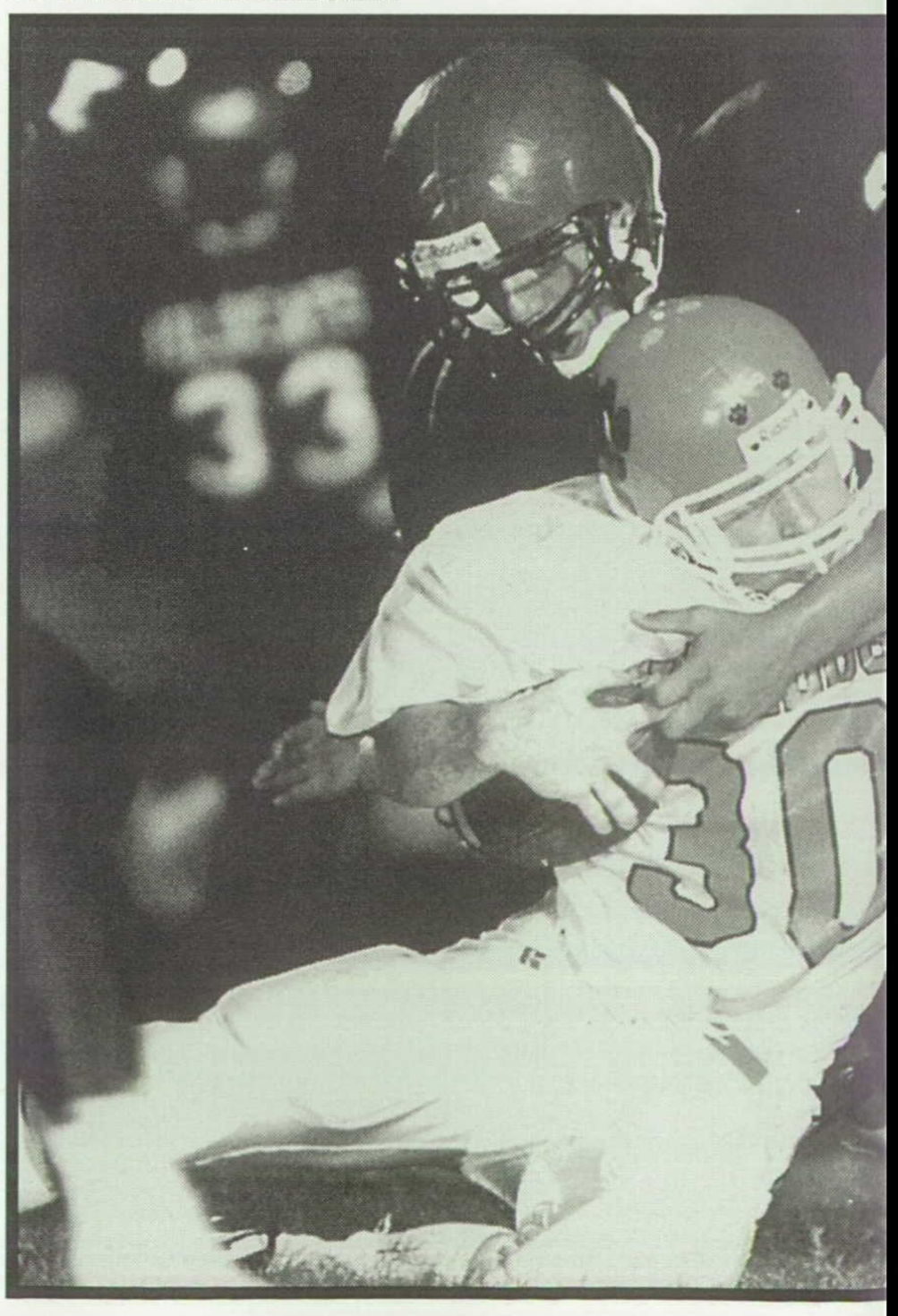
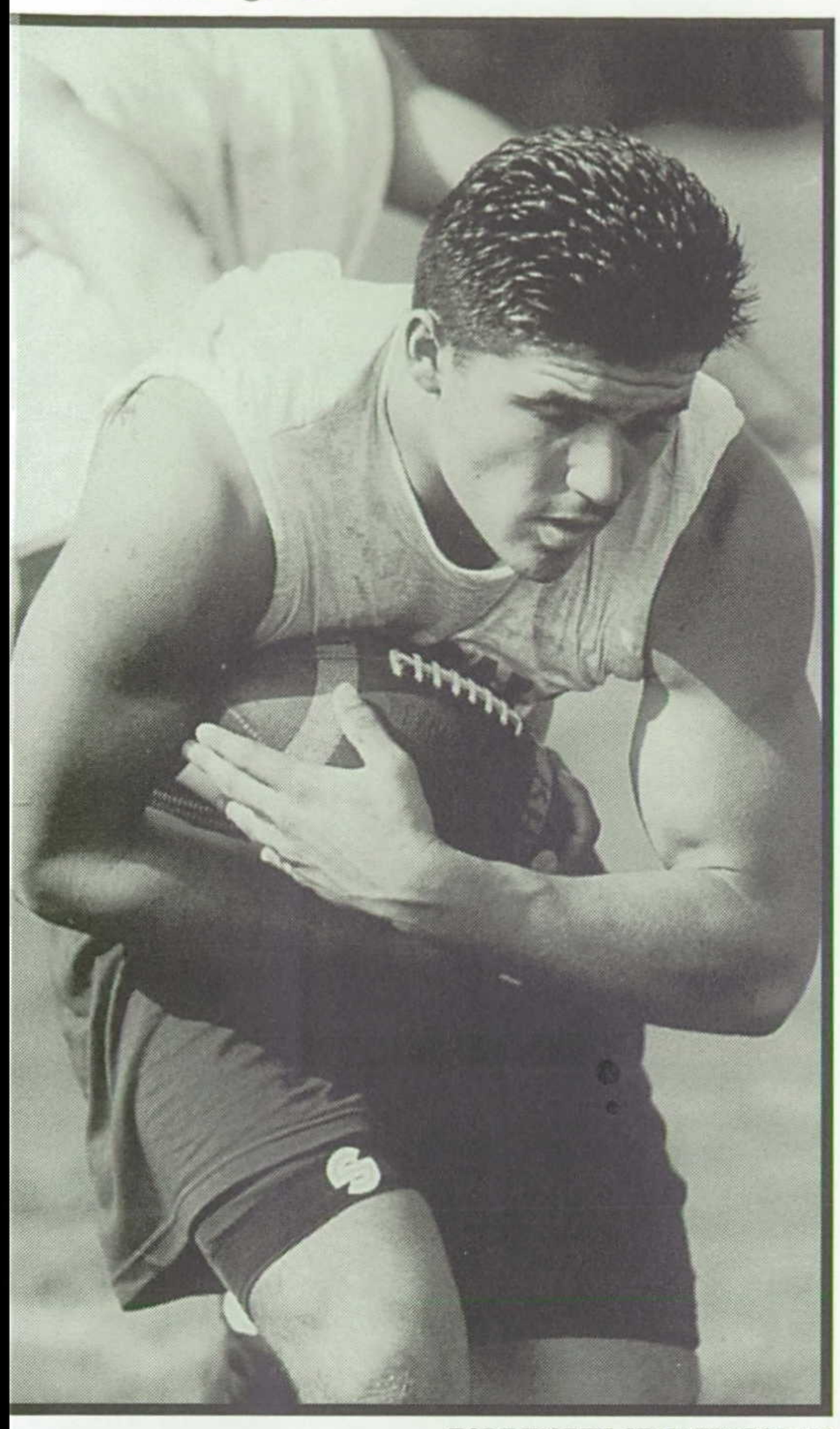


Seniors Alfredo Parra and Daniel Hommel agressively take down one of the North Dallas Bulldogs. The Wildcats gave the fans a homecoming victory over the Bulldogs, 38-6.

Senior All-District linebacker Alfredo Parra displays his control over the game during a practice before the homecoming football game.



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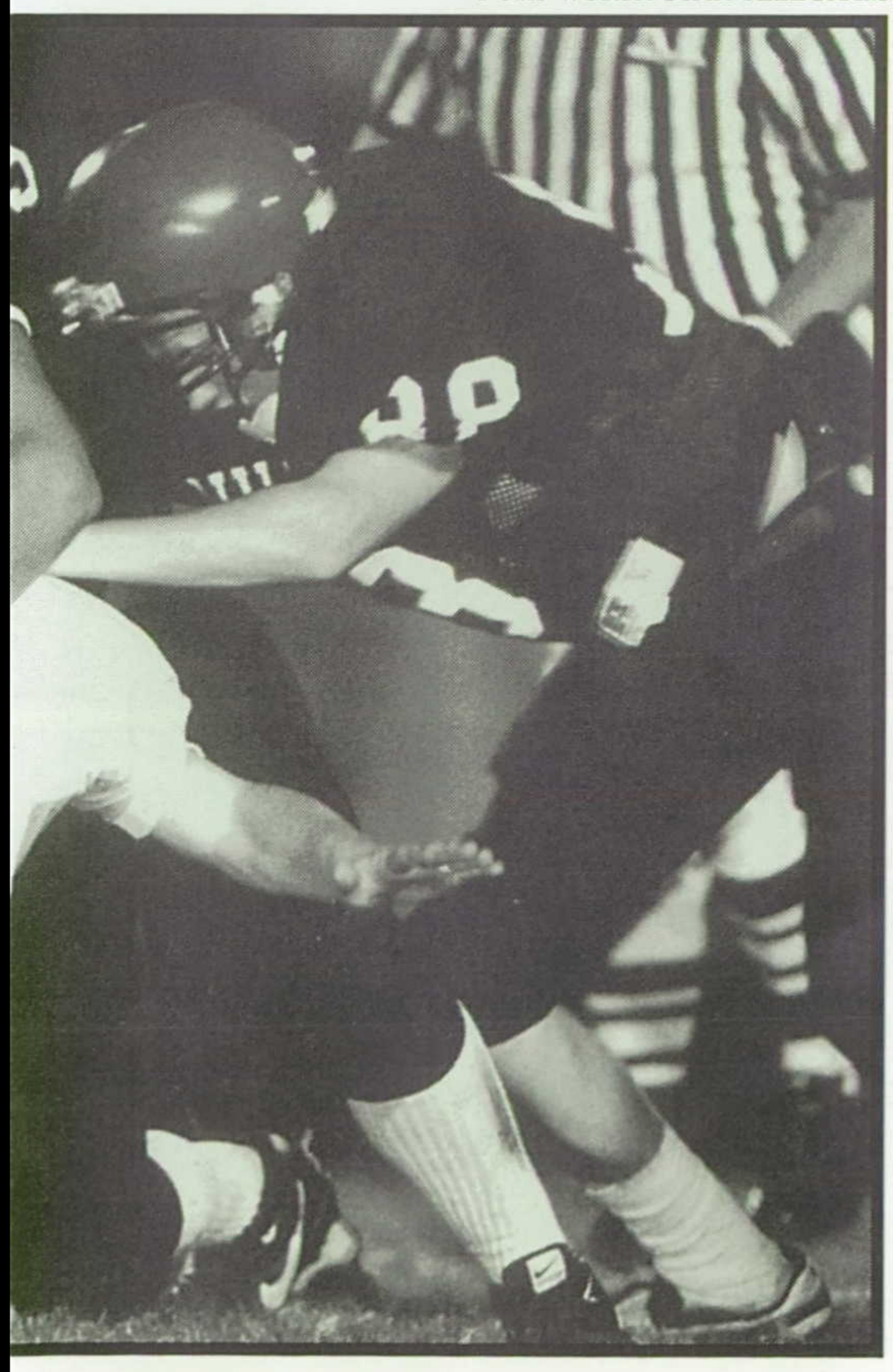


VARSITY BACK: Jordan Spradley, Donte Jones, Brandon Wall, Jacob Bayer, Alex Vorse, Daniel Hommel, Alfredo Parra, Austin Johnson, Jason Brown, Jeri McMillan. **THIRD:** Mike McCaslin, Jason Greenfield, T.W. Wilkerson, Erik Estrada, Luke Keeton, Shayne Middleton, Jason Robinson, Jason Simpson, Rebecca Debrecht. **SECOND:** Coach Teague, Coach Peters, Coach Lockhart, Coach Perkins, Coach Johnson, Coach Stout, Coach Webb, Coach Hale, Coach Graves, Coach Trantham, Coach Schubert, Scotty Messer. **FRONT:** Brent Hill, Greg Morrow, Dustin Duncan, Paskell Elliott, Corey Biggs, Brad Horton, Keldrick Palmer, Tim Wakeland, Kenton Owens.

JV BACK: Daniel Lester, Mike Alvarado, Coach Lockhart, Coach Trantham, Coach Schubert, Coach Graves, John Kelley, Alex Sparling. **MIDDLE:**Ryder Johnson, Victor Cajero, Joe Ward, Chris Ford, Brandon Jiles, Justin Cobb, Chris Wise, Rodney Lee.**FRONT:** John Crutchfield, Chad Pearce, Derik Patton, Justin Stovall, Wayne Richardson, J.R. Baade, Aaron Wood, Milton Marcus.

FRESHMEN BACK: Curtis Mays, Daniel Davis, Brandon Knox, James Hunt, Coach Peters, Coach Hale, Coach Perkins,Mike Hays, Chris Riveria, Ladrell James, Paul Day.**MIDDLE:** Kyle Hale, Justin Mathews, Trey Mulkey, Luke Franks, Lyndell Griggs, Jeromy Schweitzer, Kevin Henderson, Jason Maley, Stephen Patterson, Jason Odom, Kary Krafve, Shey Stout, Jeff Kovach, Ben Eubanks. **FRONT:** Rodney Swindell, Chris Casas, James Lanfear, Aaron Pizana, Tom Humiston, Mike Ward, Lance Franks, John Morrison, Wesley Cross, Josh Gray, D.J. Ryals, Deyon Francis.

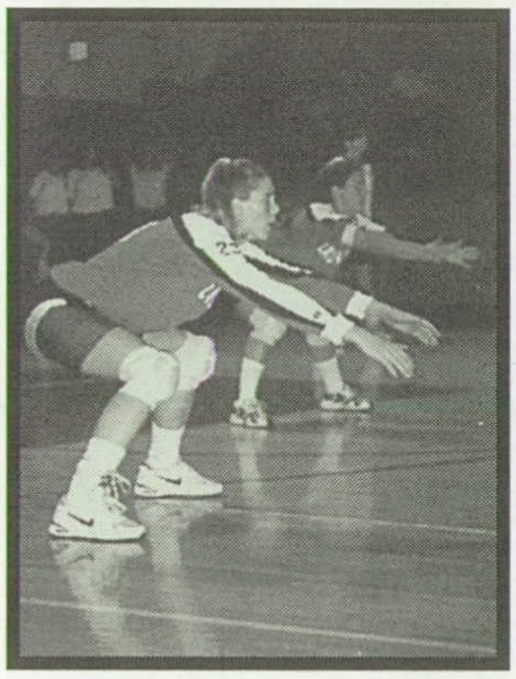
VOLLEYBALL

KILLER SEASON

The Ladykats knew the meaning of success, representing Kennedale in the District playoffs which had not been done in over ten years.

The Ladykat volleyball team successfully competed in the race to be district champs. The district race resulted in a three way tie between Kennedale, Ferris and Royse City. The Ladykats along with Royse City represented the district after defeating Ferris at the playoff tournament. Due to the strong will of the team and outstanding coaching, the team finished the season with an overall record of 13-12, and a district record of 7-3.

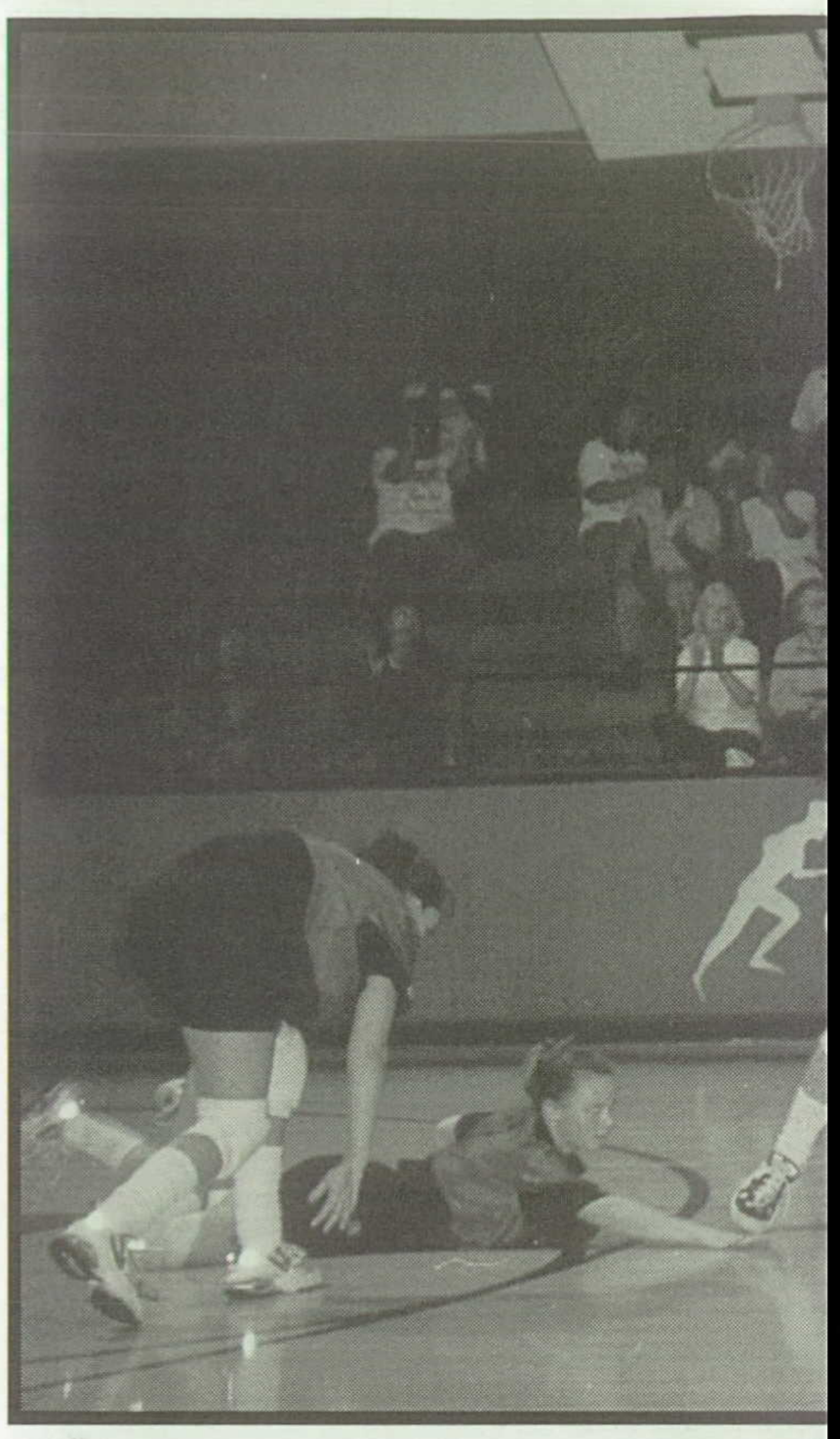
In the course of the pre-season, they received consolation at the Midlothian Tournament and second place at the Lake Worth Tournament. The schedule included a number of tough opponents, primarily 4A schools, which the Ladykats either defeated or played a very close match with.



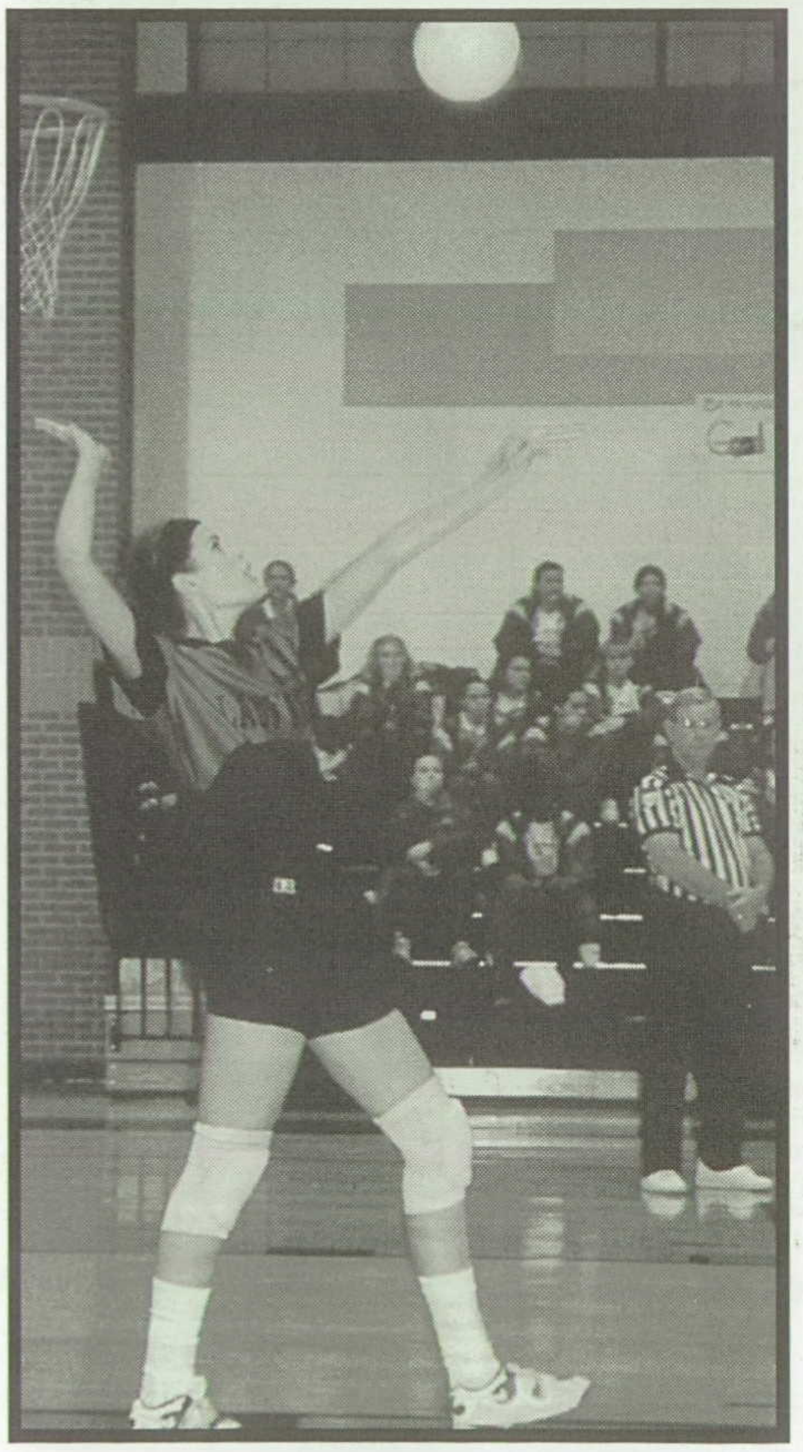
"The JV girls went undefeated this year which means that next year we will be even stronger," Coach Essig

Overall, it was a remarkable year for the Ladykat volleyball team. Each member gave her all and the school was very proud of their efforts.

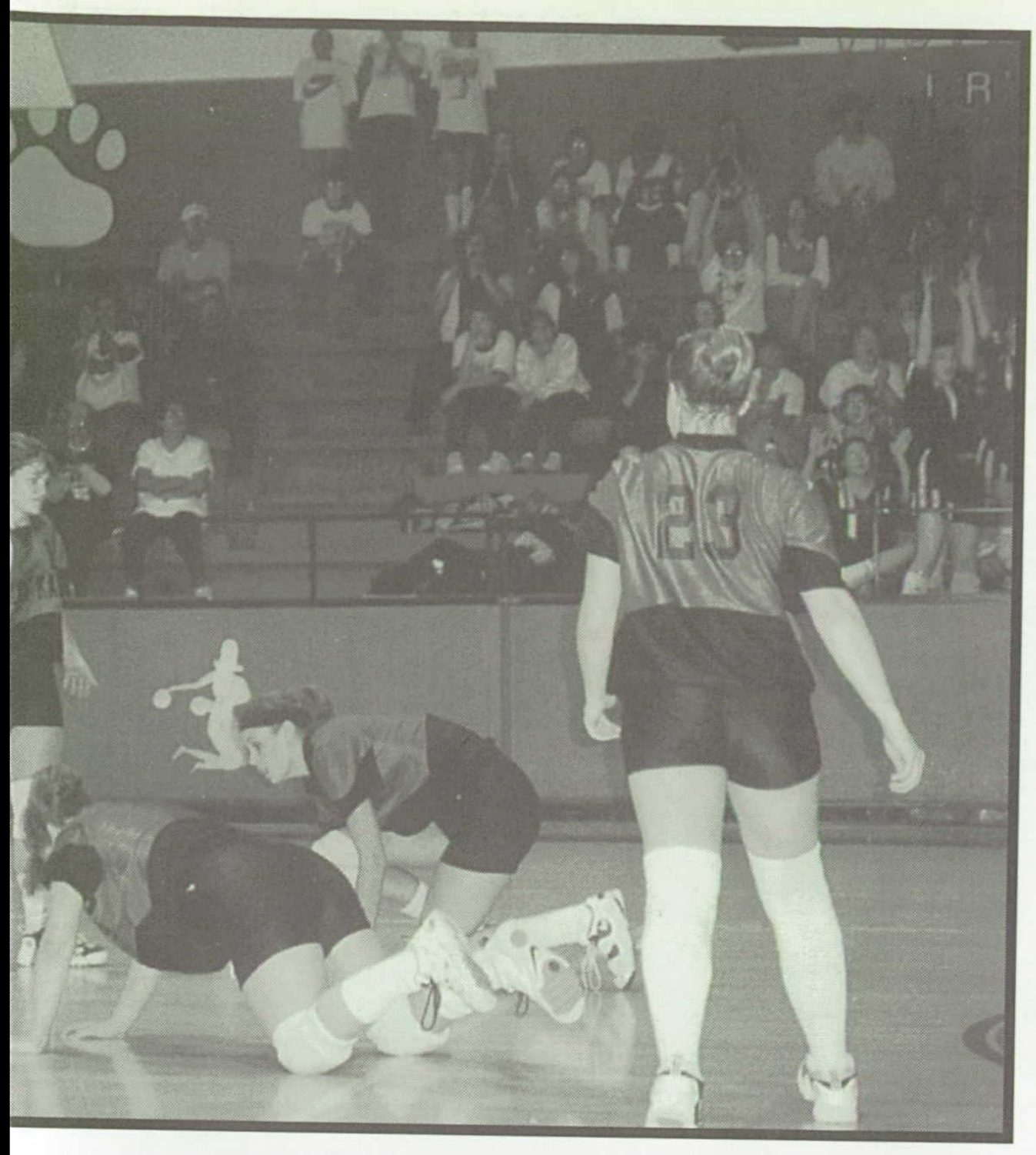
by Brandi Knox



Back row specialists Holly Golden and Jackie Casbeer are in ready position, waiting for the serve. The JV girls went undefeated, successfully shutting out all district opponents.



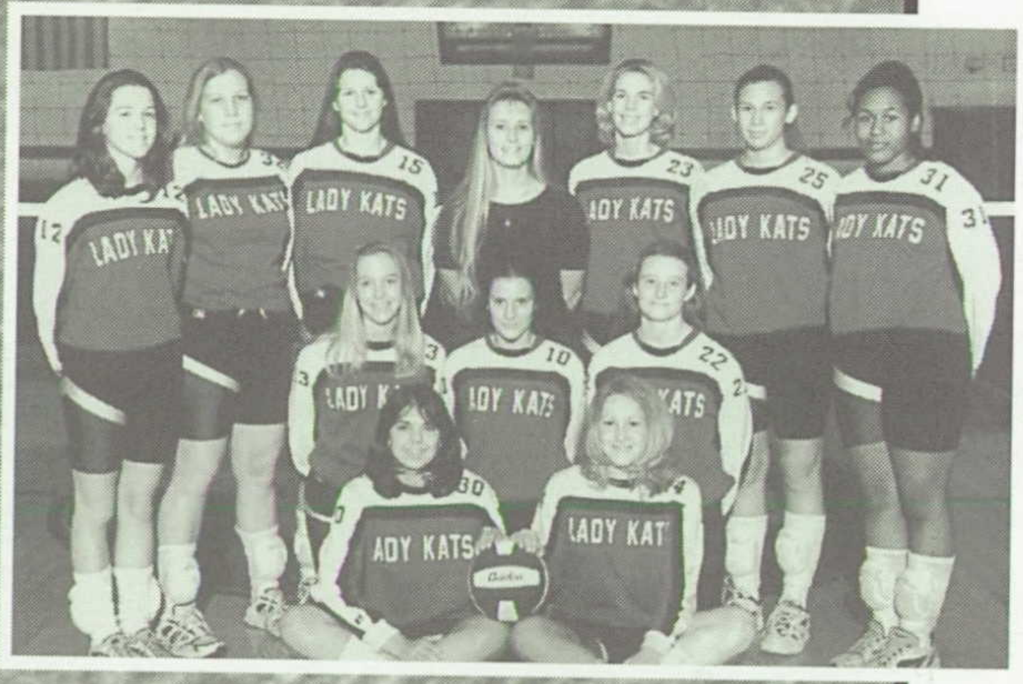
Rebecca Wynalda serves the winning point, leading the Ladykats to victory over Royse City. She worked well under pressure and was an asset to her teammates.



Varsity players are in stance, waiting for the return from Royse City. The new rotation that they utilized gave them an advantage in the district and enhanced their defense.

Freshmen girls huddle around Coach Barksdale and Coach Essig during a time out against Forney.They grasped a few words of advice before returning to play.

VARSITY BACK: Coach Bontke, Janea Whightsil, Rebecca Wynalda, Loree Kovach, Dee Dee Kirkpatrick. **MIDDLE:** Kim Brumfield, Amie Kirkpatick, Amy Casbeer. **FRONT:** Kelly Piacenti, Misti Biondi, Heidi Golden, Joni Greenfield.



JV BACK: Angela Peace, Ashley Hall, Angela Phillips, Coach Essig, Holly Golden, Rachel Wynalda, Chaneera Francis.**MIDDLE:** Lindsey Little, Jackie Casbeer, Leah Couch.**FRONT:** Janelle Lankhorst, Stephenie Keeton.

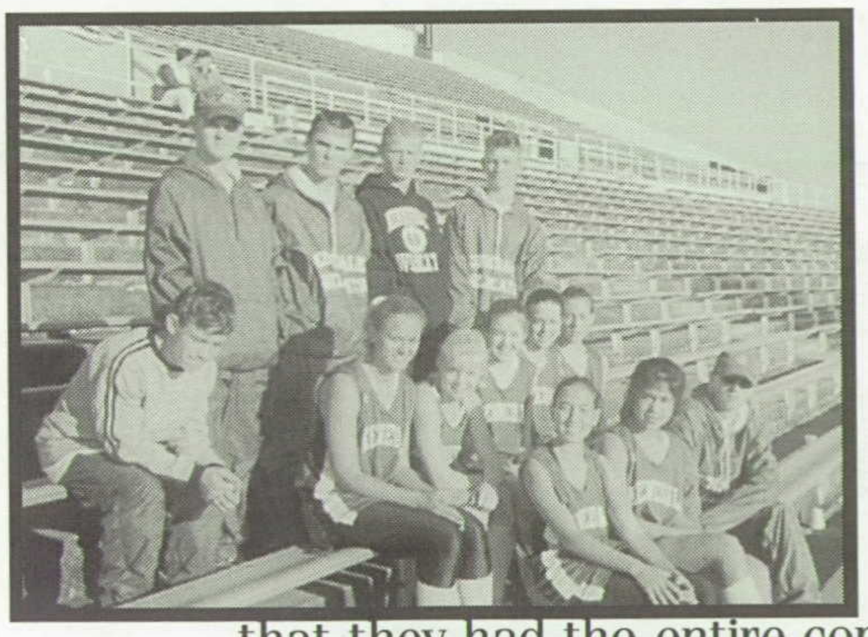
FRESHMEN BACK: Julie Thomas, Honnah Adams, Coach Barksdale, Karin Prince, Brittany Jowers. **THIRD:** Jessie Beard, Amanda Trevino, Courtney Drew. **SECOND:** Patricia Wilkerson, Amanda Carter. **FRONT:** Robyn Bednar.

IN THE LONG RUN

They boys and girls Cross Country teams achieved their goals and won the District Championship which made for an impressive season.

The Cross Country team at Kennedale High School had an outstanding season. Cross Country was a rigorous sport which involved running for very long distances. The great success that this year's team had accents the determination and dedication of the student athletes to compete and come out on top.

Led by Coach Lenzmeier, the boys and girls varsity and junior varsity won the District Championship. At the Region II meet, the boys varsity placed an impressive second and went on to make a run at state.

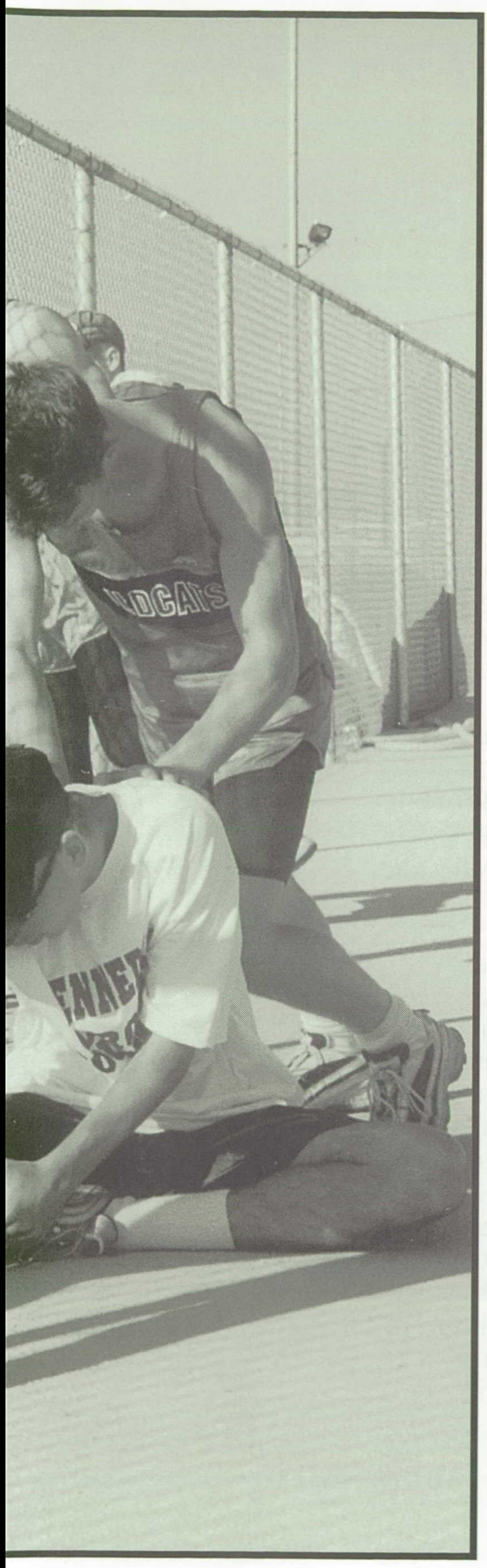


At the school pep rallies, the cheering students at the primary and elementary levels showed the runners that they had the entire community's support which meant a lot to the team. The press coverage was constant and very positive, which made the season even more memorable for the runners.

"I am very proud of my runners this year. They brought home first or second place trophies at all but two of the meets, " said Coach Lenzmeier. Achieving the goals that they worked so hard on made their efforts worth while. They set examples that will encourage next year's team to uphold the tradition.

by Ian Furman

Mike Murphy, Chris Crutchfield and Ryan Cosser assist each other with their stretches before they run. Mike Murphy was the District Champ and all three of these runners played an important part in the team being selected as the Fort Worth Star-Telegram All Area Cross Country Team.



Coach Lenzmeier gives the team some inspirational words of advice before the two mile run. They competed against twenty other schools at this meet that took place at Herman E. Clark stadium in Fort Worth.

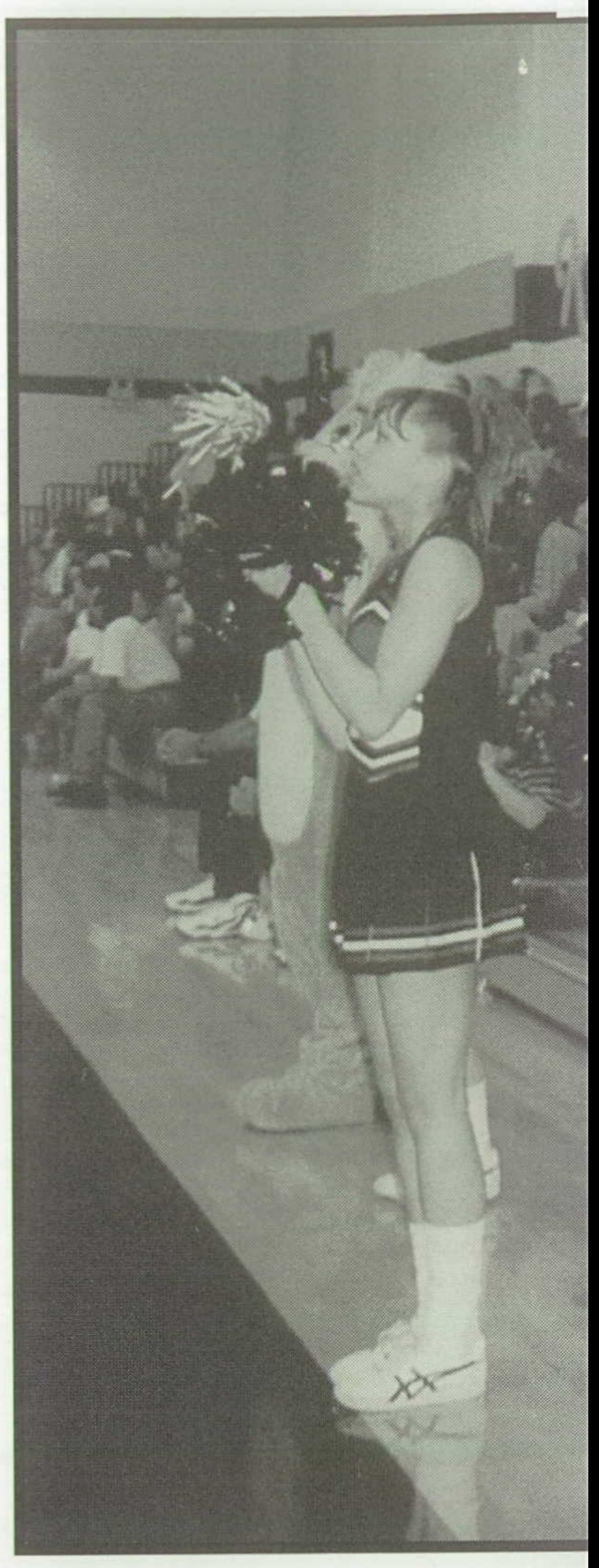
Lauren Billman, Lenora Ivison, Laura Lujan and Tiffany Shirley discuss their strategies while stretching. They had to maintain top physical fitness during the season in order to run the long distances that they did.

CROSS COUNTRY BACK: Kevin O'Shields, John Monreal, Jesse Ngoo, Dustin Turner, Stephen Stone, Chris Crutchfield, Josh Tomlson, John Crutchfield, Nick McCoy, Clay Rickard, Aaron Donaldson, Laura Lujan, Lenora Ivison, Matt Alldredge, Chuck Dunton, Angela Peace, Oliver Ho, Tiffany Shirley, Chase Crocker, Cassi Barnes, Coach Lenzmeier. **FRONT:**Ryan Cosser, Bryan Swindell, Dusty Davis, Chris Law, Mike Murphy, Lauren Billman, Erika Olmos.

CHEERLEADING

SPIRIT & VIGOR

They fired up the Wildcat fans, creating a spirit and vigor that could be felt throughout the community.



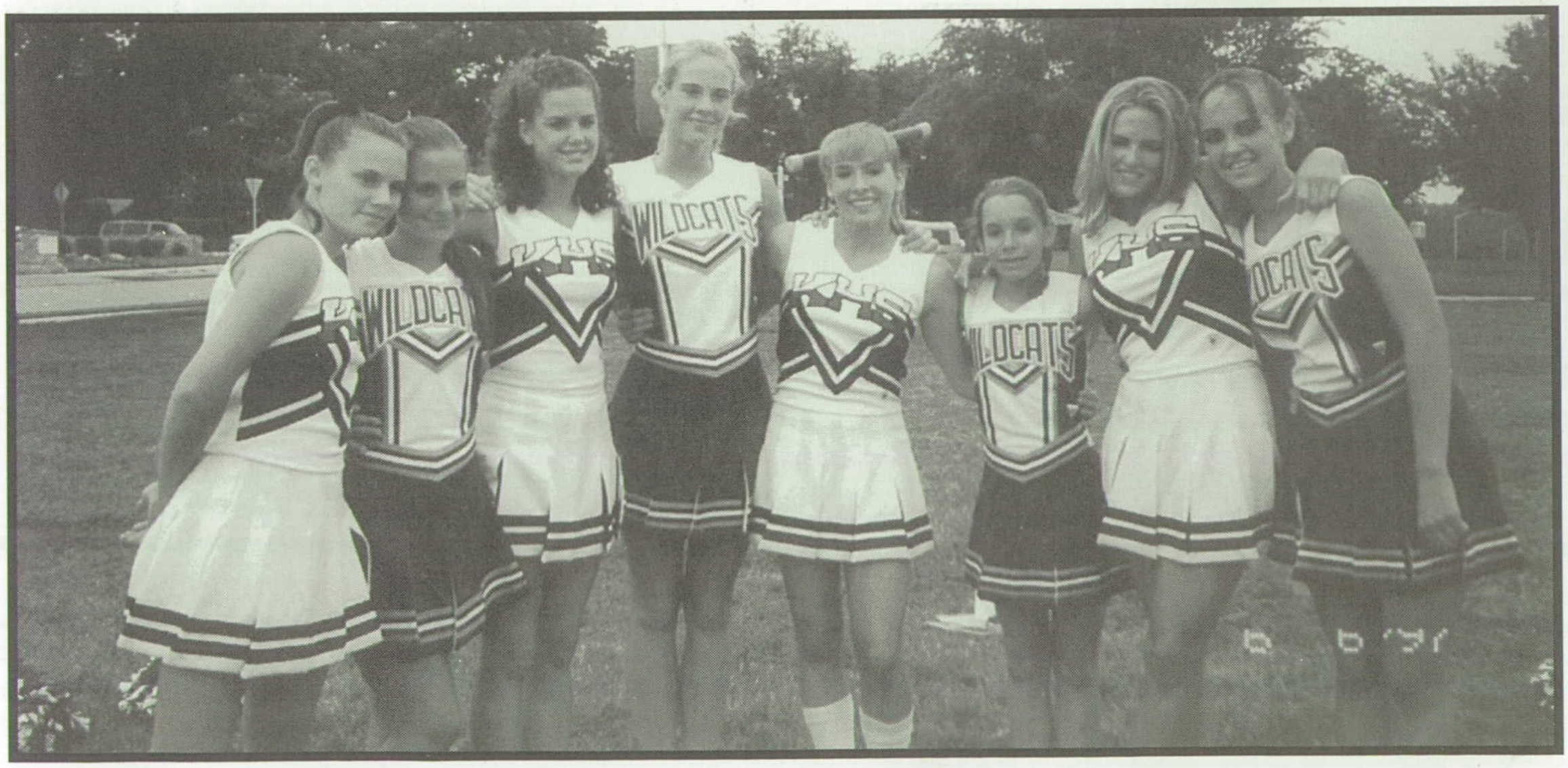
The cheerleaders displayed their spirit as they cheered on the Wildcats at the pep rallies and football and basketball games.

The squads put in many hours of practice to perfect their tumbling, jumps and stunts. They also made posters and created pep rally themes to show their support.

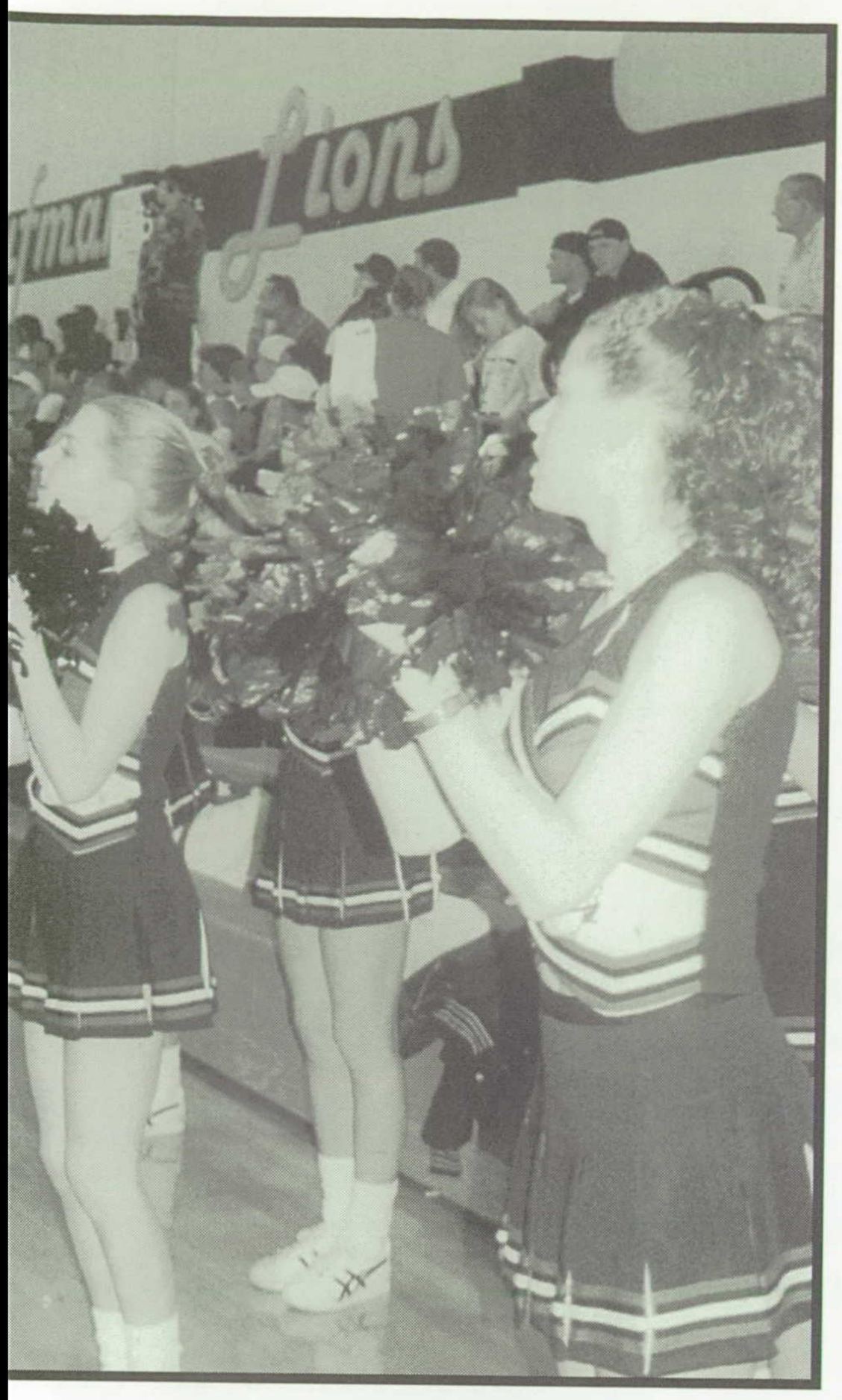
Both squads attended a summer cheer camp where they received four gold superior awards, seventeen superior awards, three excellent awards, eight spirit sticks, two safety awards and two outstanding squad trophies. Along with the cheerleading team, mascot Tara Christensen, formally known as Willie, actively supported the Wildcats. She also received an All-Star Mascot award and was runner-up for camp champ.

The cheerleaders fired up the student body, faculty and fans and created a spirit and vigor that flowed throughout the community.

by Brandi Knox



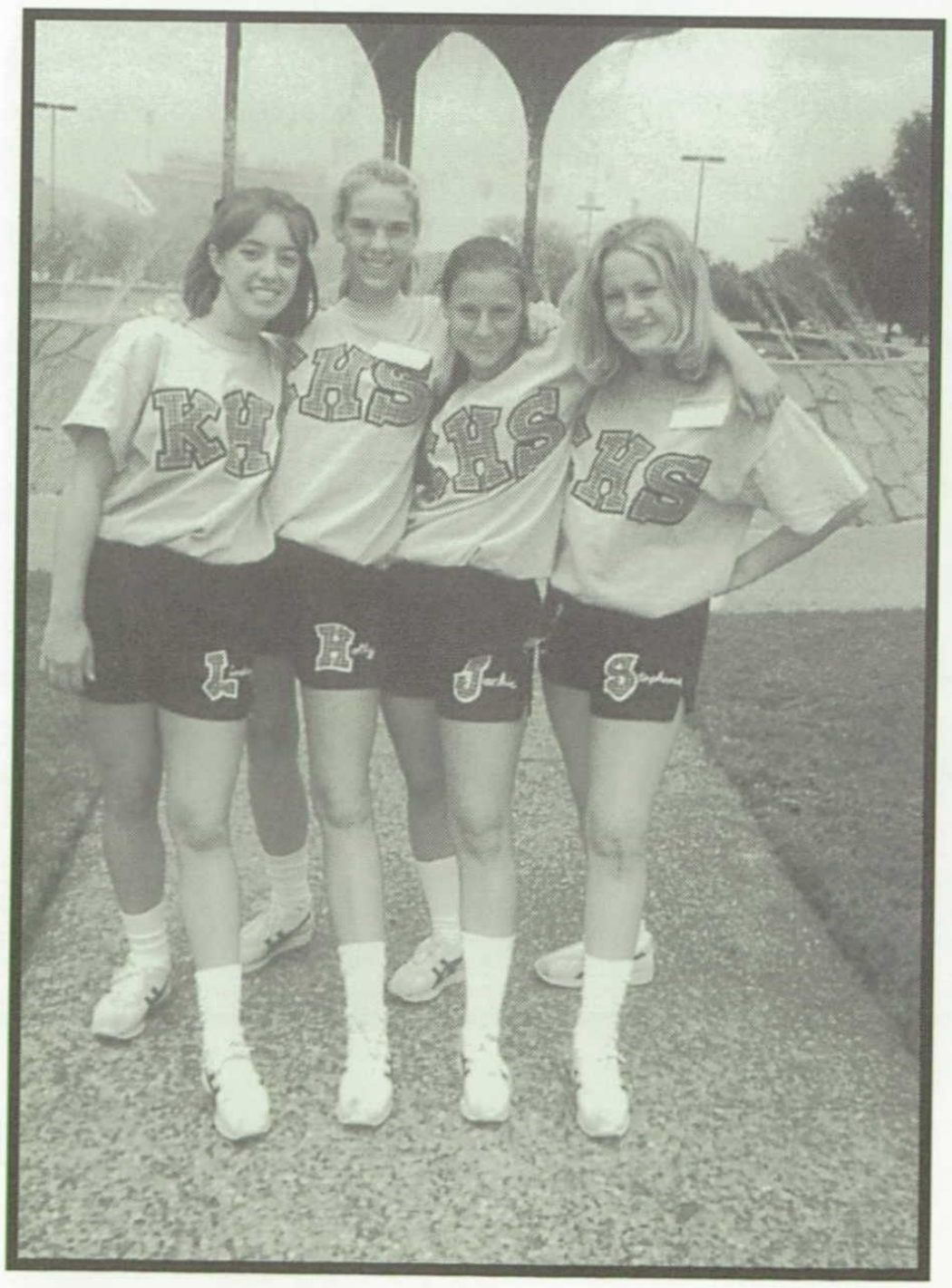
Sharing common bonds, sisters Amy and Jackie Casbeer, Heidi and Holly Golden, Trisha and Meghan O'Connor, and Lesley and Kelly Walls carry on the cheerleading tradition. They all received spirit sticks on the final day of camp.



The varsity cheerleaders motivate the crowd during a varsity basketball play off game against Coppell at Kaufman. They travelled to many away games to show their support for the Wildcats.

Junior Varsity Cheerleaders Lindsay Kegans, Holly Golden, Jackie Casbeer and Stephenie Keeton are on their way to breakfast before beginning their day at camp. They attended a UCA Camp that was held at TCU where they learned pep rally routines.

VARSITY BACK: Loree Kovach, Myriah Anderson. **MIDDLE:** Summer Morris, Amy Casbeer, Heidi Golden, Trisha O'Connor. **FRONT:** Jodie Reagan, Lesley Walls.



JV BACK: Kelly Walls, Holly Golden, Ashley Holder, Stephenie Keeton. **FRONT:** Kim Thrasher, Kristen Melissari, Meghan O'Connor, Lindsay Kegans, Courtney Drew, Jackie Casbeer.

DRILL TEAM

ABSOLUTELY DAZZLING

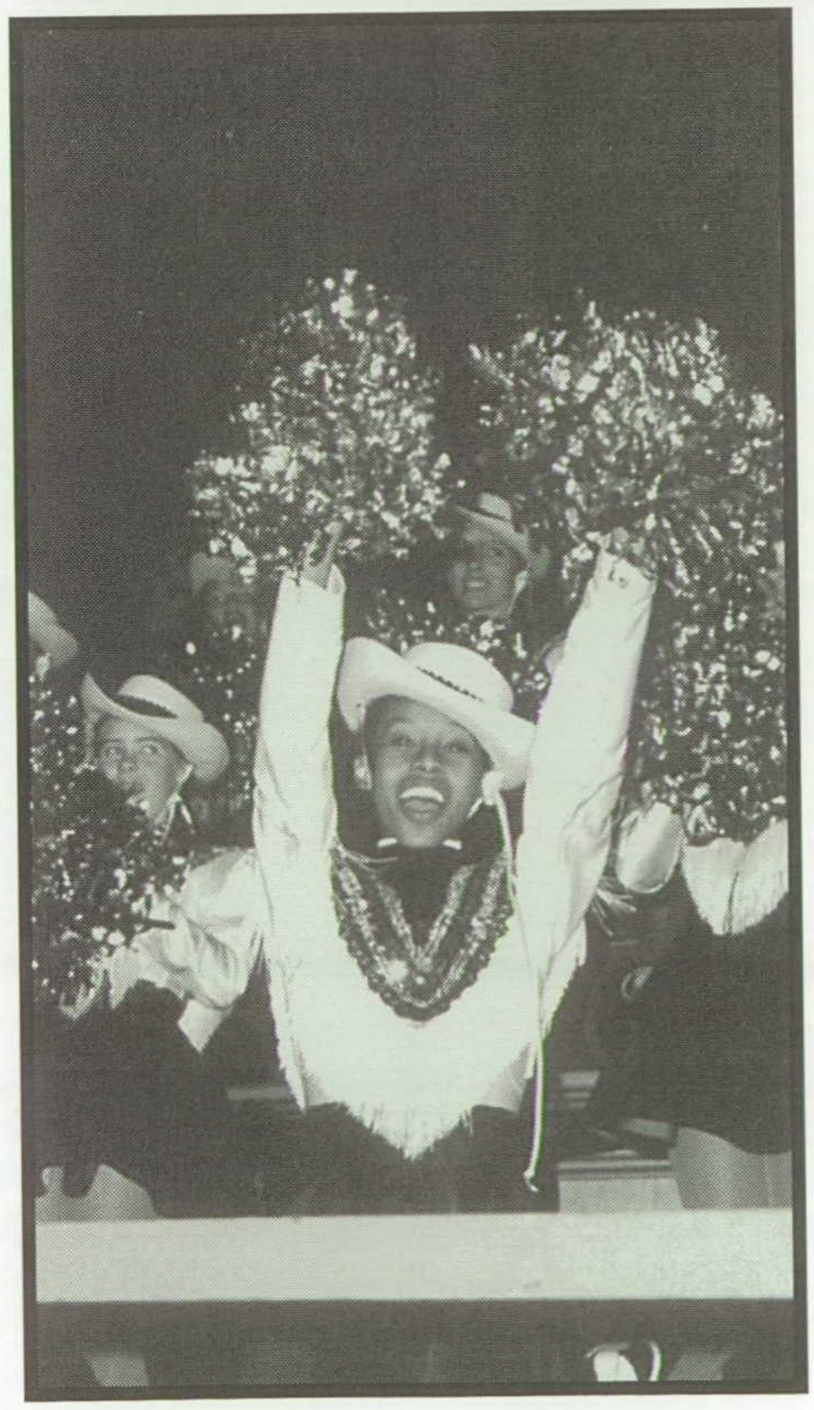
They dazzled the fans with their show stopping choreography.

The Aristokat Drill Team performed their show stopping routines at the pep rallies and the football and basketball games.

They perfected their high kicks, precision marching and numerous formations by practicing diligently before and after school. Their hard work, dedication and outstanding choreography enabled the Aristokats to compete at the Marching Auxiliary's competition at Grapevine High School in February. They received a sweepstakes on their pom, kick and jazz dances and won Best in Class.

Thanks to Ms. Sposato and Ms. Grantham, the Aristokats finished out the year gracefully and they continued to work hard in preparation for the upcoming year. "It was a really great year and I know that next year will be even better," stated member Bailey Ephland.

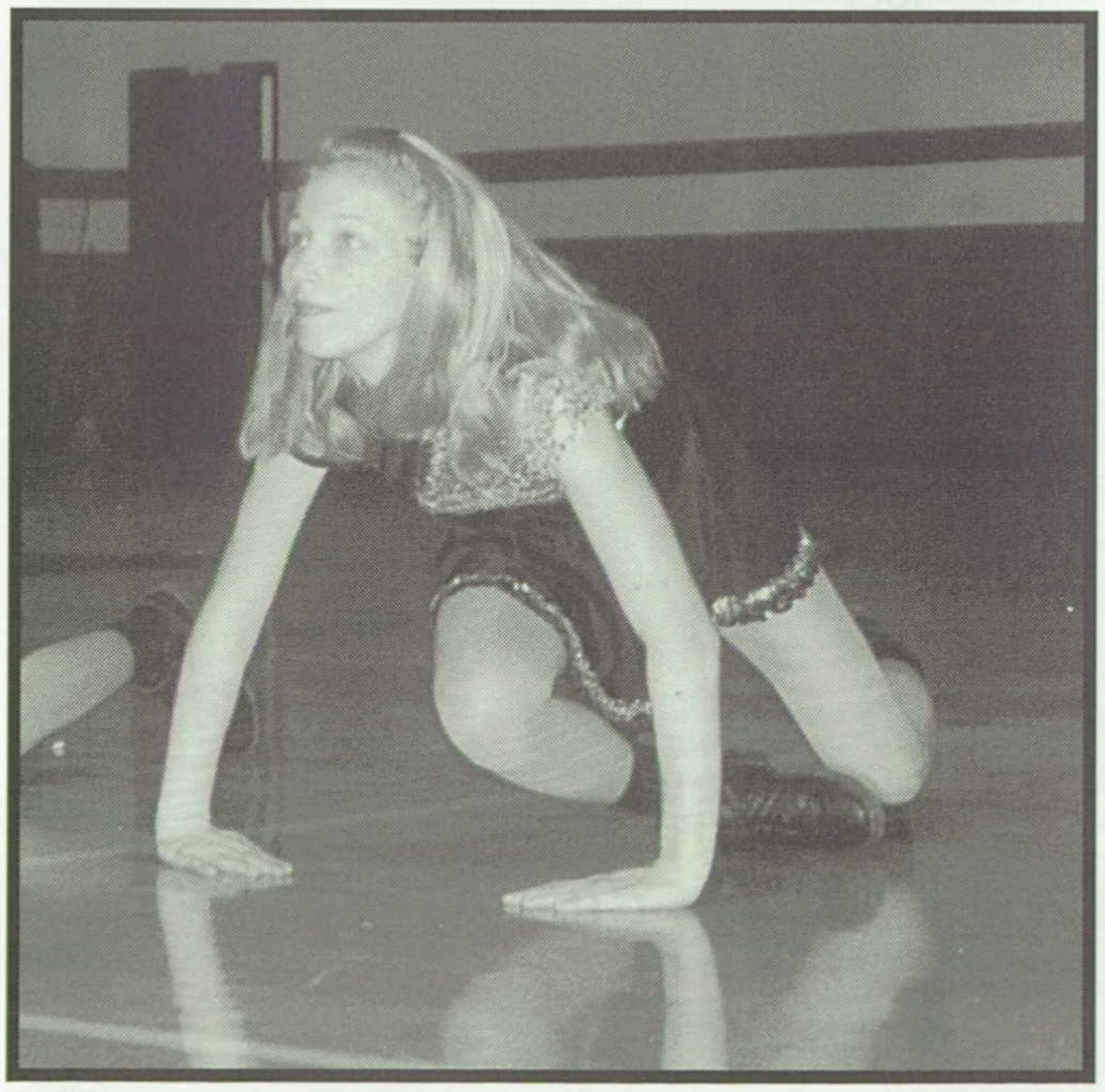
Latoya Griffin, Teresa Melendez, Jenni Reynolds, Lark Wallis and Laura Leither get ready to practice their prop routine at summer camp. They attended Marching Auzilliaries dance camp.



Aristokat Latoya Griffin cheers on the Wildcats at one of the home football games. The Drill Team enthusiastically supported the football team at every game.

Lark Wallis, Laura Leither, Jenni Reynolds and Elizabeth Humiston get ready for their first football game. The Drill Team attended every game and dazzled the crowd at the half time field show when they performed with the band.

The Aristokats add variety to their performance by dressing up in costume for the Halloween pep rally. They entertained the crowd as they danced to the song,"Ghost Busters".



Freshman Aristokat Laura Leither performs with the team at the half time of one of the home basketball games. The Drill Team practiced every morning and after school to prepare for their basketball and pep rally performances.

DRILL TEAM BACK: Bailey Ephland, Teresa Melendez, Kelly Malone, Candice McKelvy, Latoya Griffin. **FRONT:** Jenni Reynolds, Laura Leither, Amy Leither, Lark Wallis, Elizabeth Humiston.

VARSITY BASKETBALL

TEAMWORK MAKES CHAMPIONS

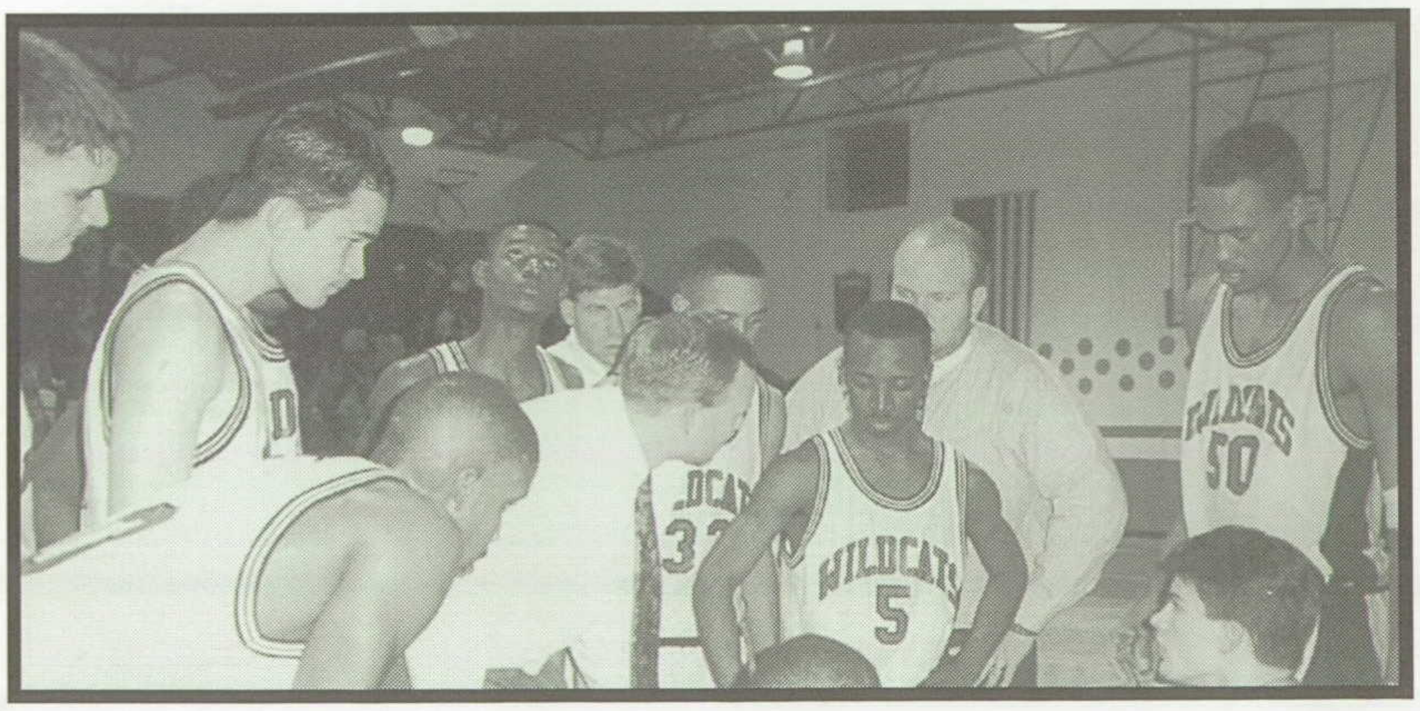
The District Champs made history with a 30-3 record and a third in the state ranking.

The Wildcat basketball team experienced an outstanding year and gave the school a season to be proud of.

Led by team captains Nigel Smith and Kenton Owens, the team posted a 30-3 record, the best in school history. In addition, they were District Champions, Bi-district Champions and Area-Finalists. The Wildcats were the only 3A team to defeat Dallas Madison. They claimed victory over them twice, the second time in front of a standing room only crowd, which was also the largest home crowd in Kennedale's history.

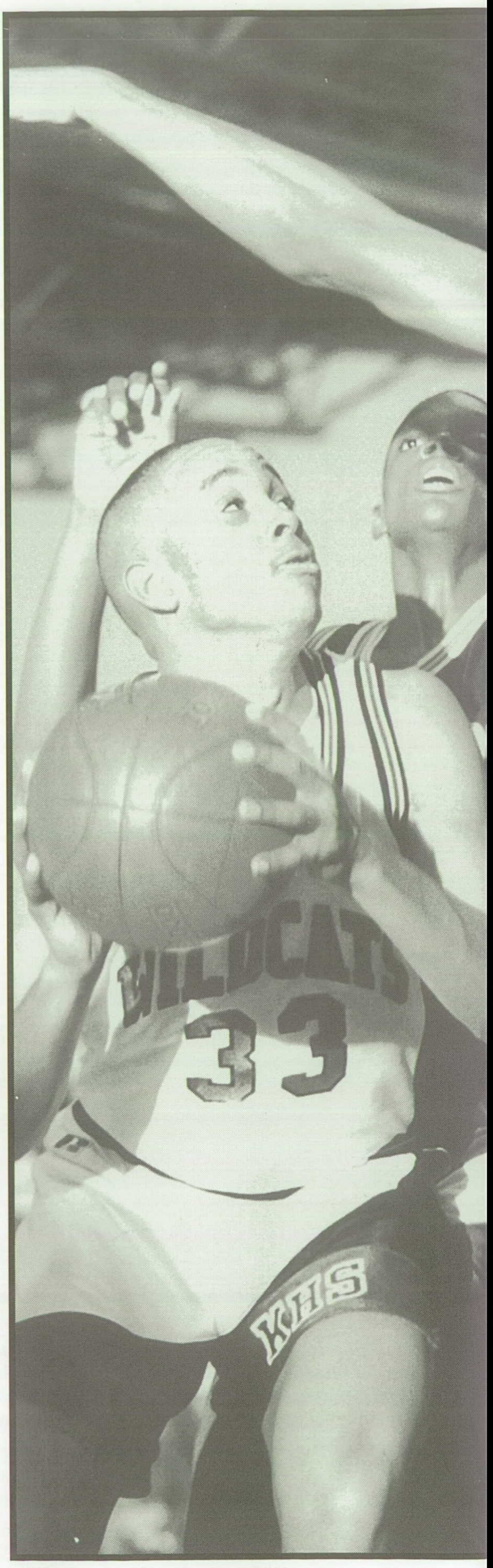
Other honors included championships in Peaster, Rio Vista and Brownwood, and being ranked third in the state of Texas, which was the highest ranking in the school's history.

The accomplishments of the Wildcat team left much to be proud of and will challenge upcoming teams to set their sites just as high. by Ian Furman



Coach Perkins reviews the plays with the varsity team during a time out. He was nominated District 11 3-A Coach of the Year.

Determined, Jerrett Goodwyn attempts to break through the opponents defense to score. The Wildcats captured the District 11 3-A Championship with this win over Dallas Madison at home, 66-60.



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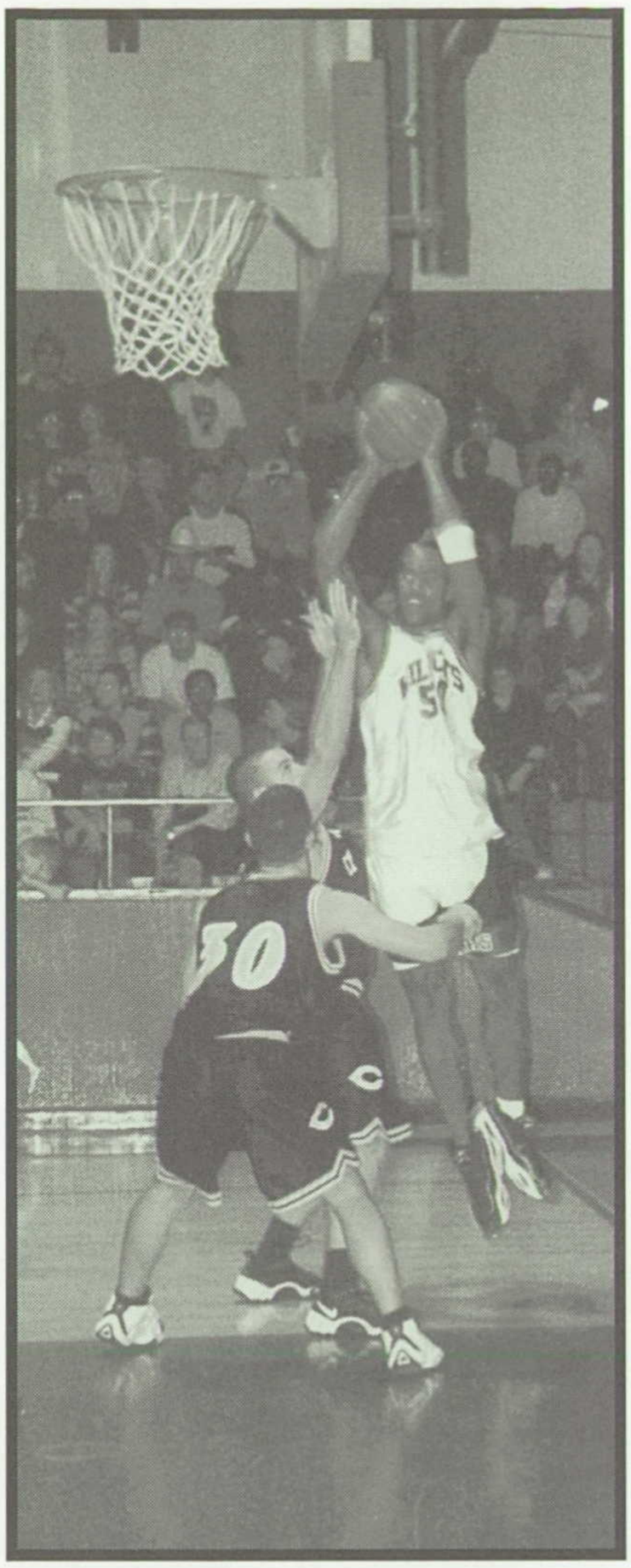
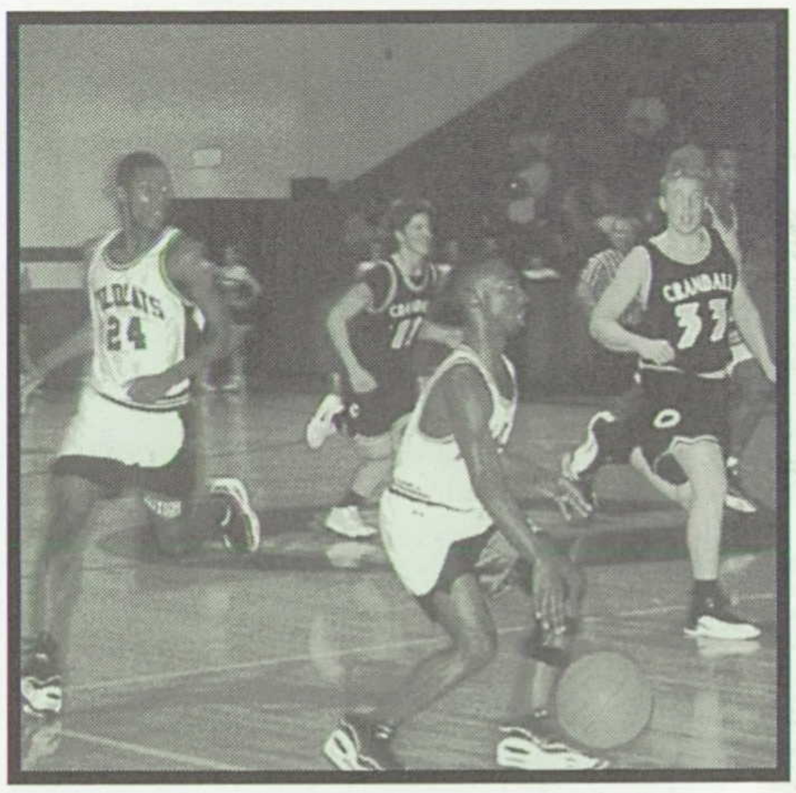
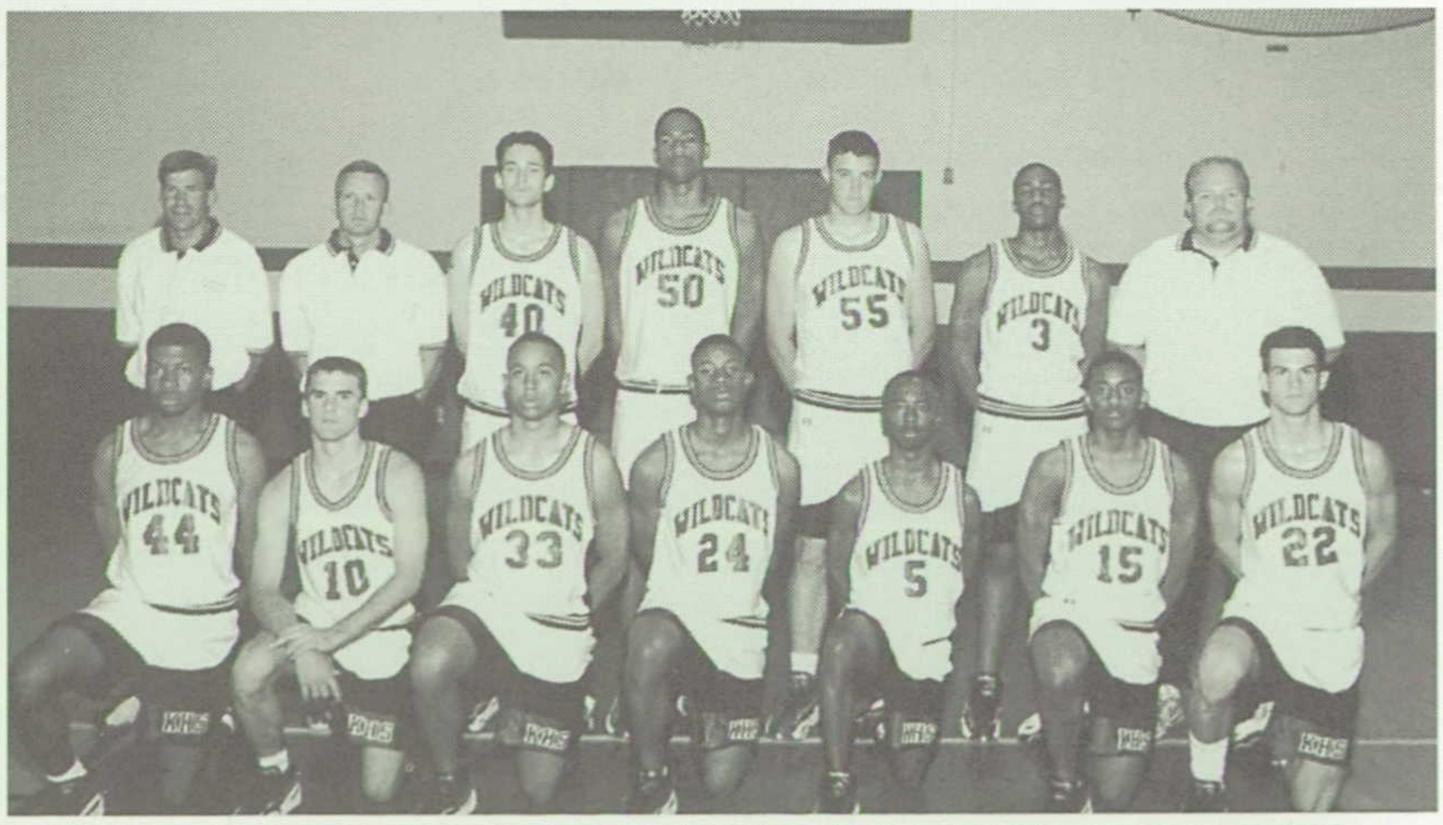


Senior Nigel Smith attempts to score, shooting over the heads of the opponents. Nigel was recognized by the Texas Association of Basketball Coaches as the 3A Player of the Year, and he was First Team All-State and All-Region. He was also nominated as Player of the Year by the District 11 3-A, the Fort Worth Star Telegram, the Arlington Star Telegram and Morning News. He recieved a basketball scholarship to attend SMU.

Senior Kenton Owens hustles down the court to score for the Wildcats. Kenton was named District Defense Player of the Year and he was All-Tournament at Peaster and Rio Vista.





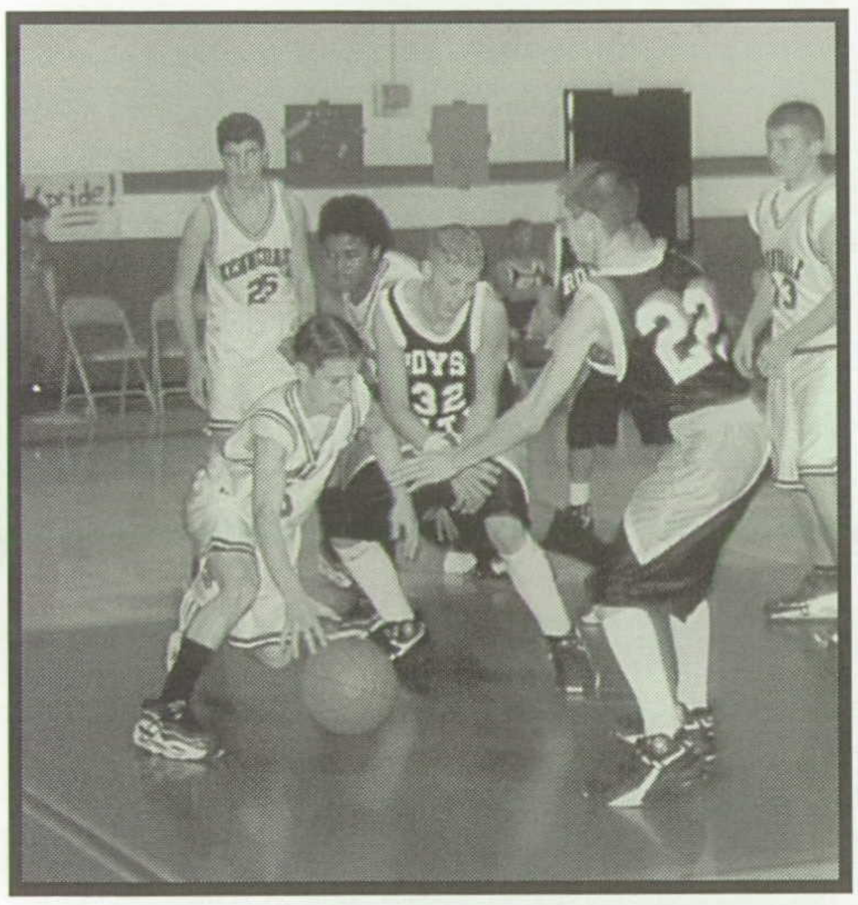
VARSITY BACK: Coach Peters, Coach Perkins, Justin Reynolds, Nigel Smith, Clint Swindell, Patrick Fuller, Coach Hale. **FRONT:** Peter Griffin, Ryan Cosser, Jerrett Goodwyn, Byron Ross, Kenton Owens, Jamal Berry, Billy Ward.

BASKETBALL

SHOOT FOR TWO

Although they were disappointed with their record, they made many accomplishments this season and played hard from start to finish.

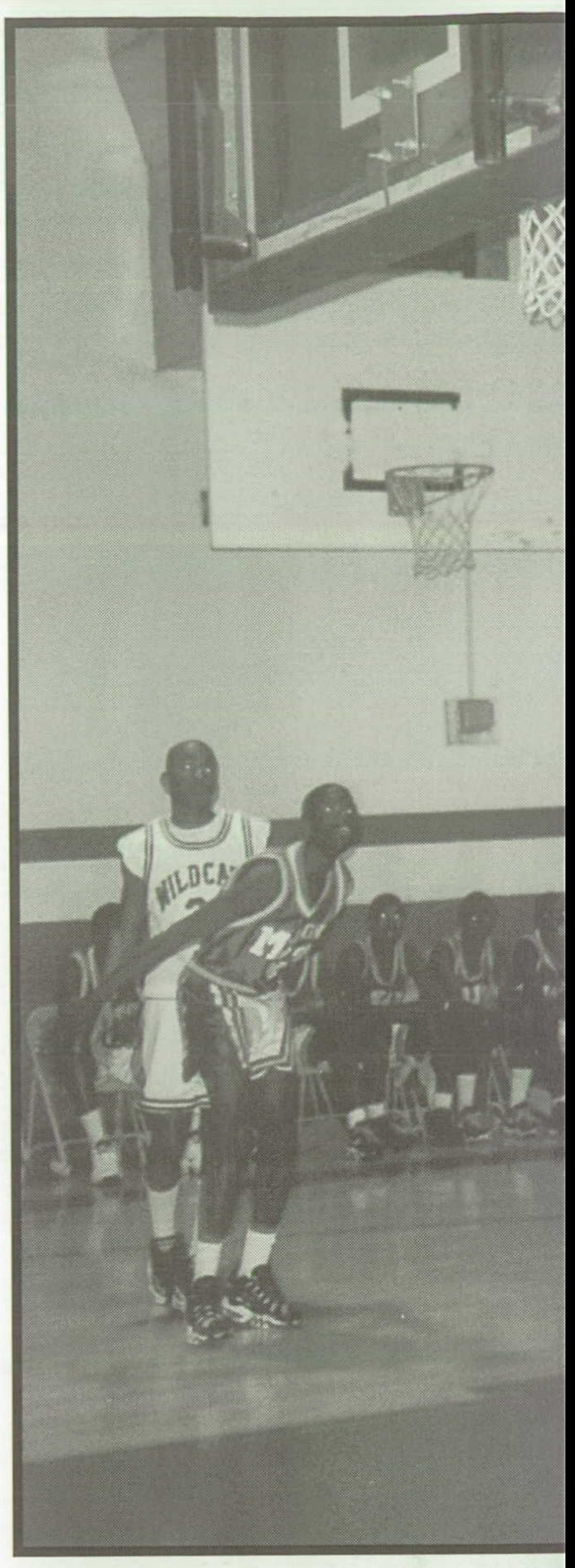
The Junior Varsity Boys Basketball team finished the season 19-8, 6-3 in the district. They played very well as a team, placing second in the district. They won first place in the Fort Worth Southwest Tournament and won consolation in both the Rio Vista and Alvarado Tournaments. "I am very proud of the team and all of their hard work and dedication," stated Coach Hale.

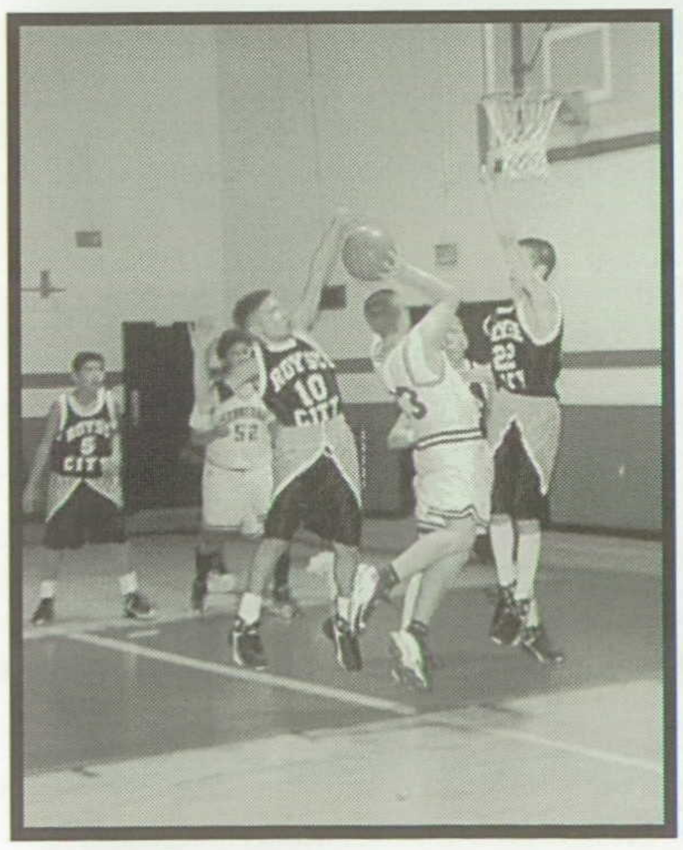


The Freshmen Basketball team finished with an overall record of 7-15, and 3-5 in the district. Although they were disappointed with their record, they made many accomplishments throughout the season.

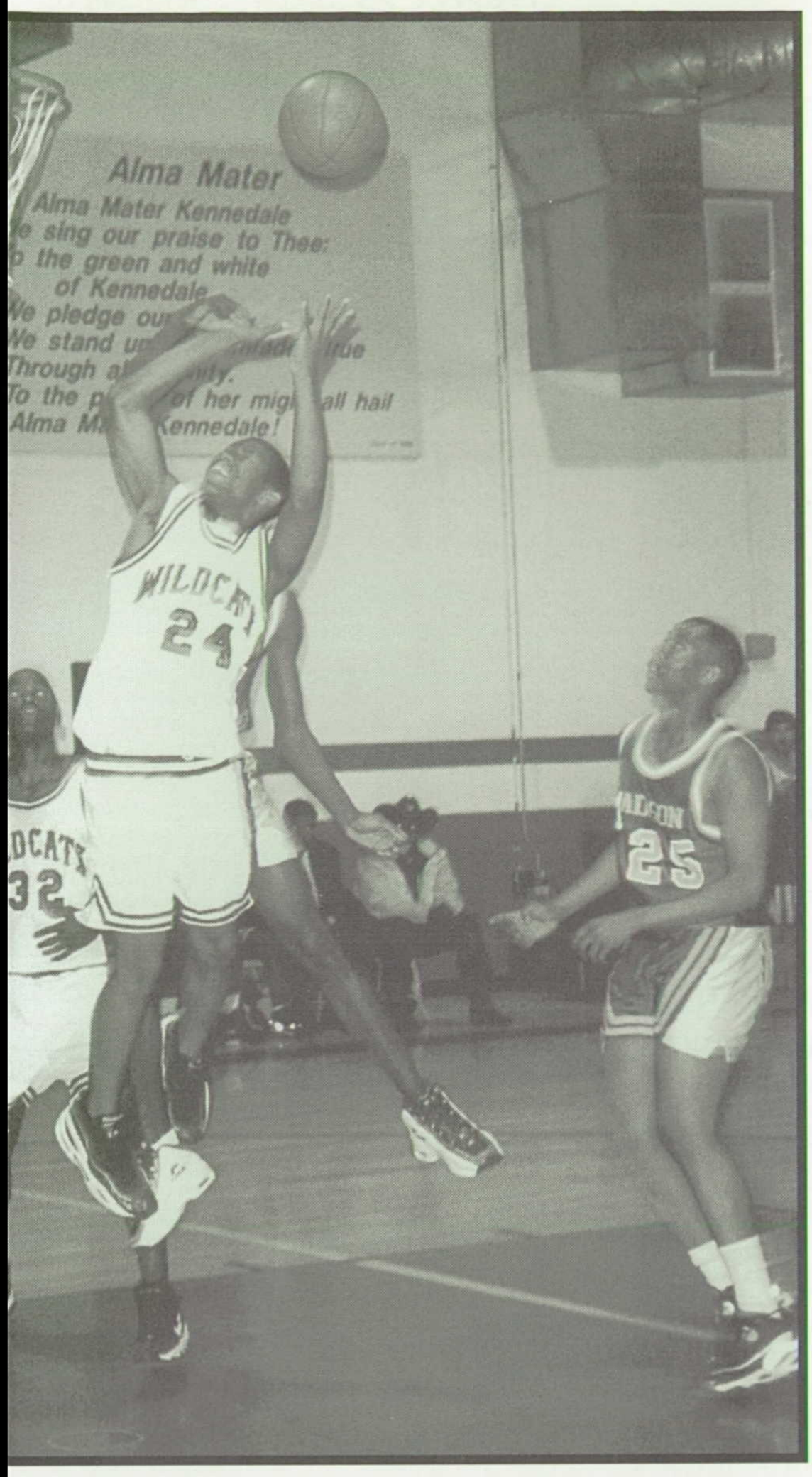
They showed a great deal of heart and dedication. They had the desire and the confidence to play hard from start to finish. "Even though we were outnumbered and out sized in virtually every game, the hard work and 'never quit' attitude of the team made it a rewarding and fun season," stated Coach Peters.

Junior Varsity player Gabe Ramirez manages to gain control over the opponents, Royse City. He was one of the leading point guards for the team.



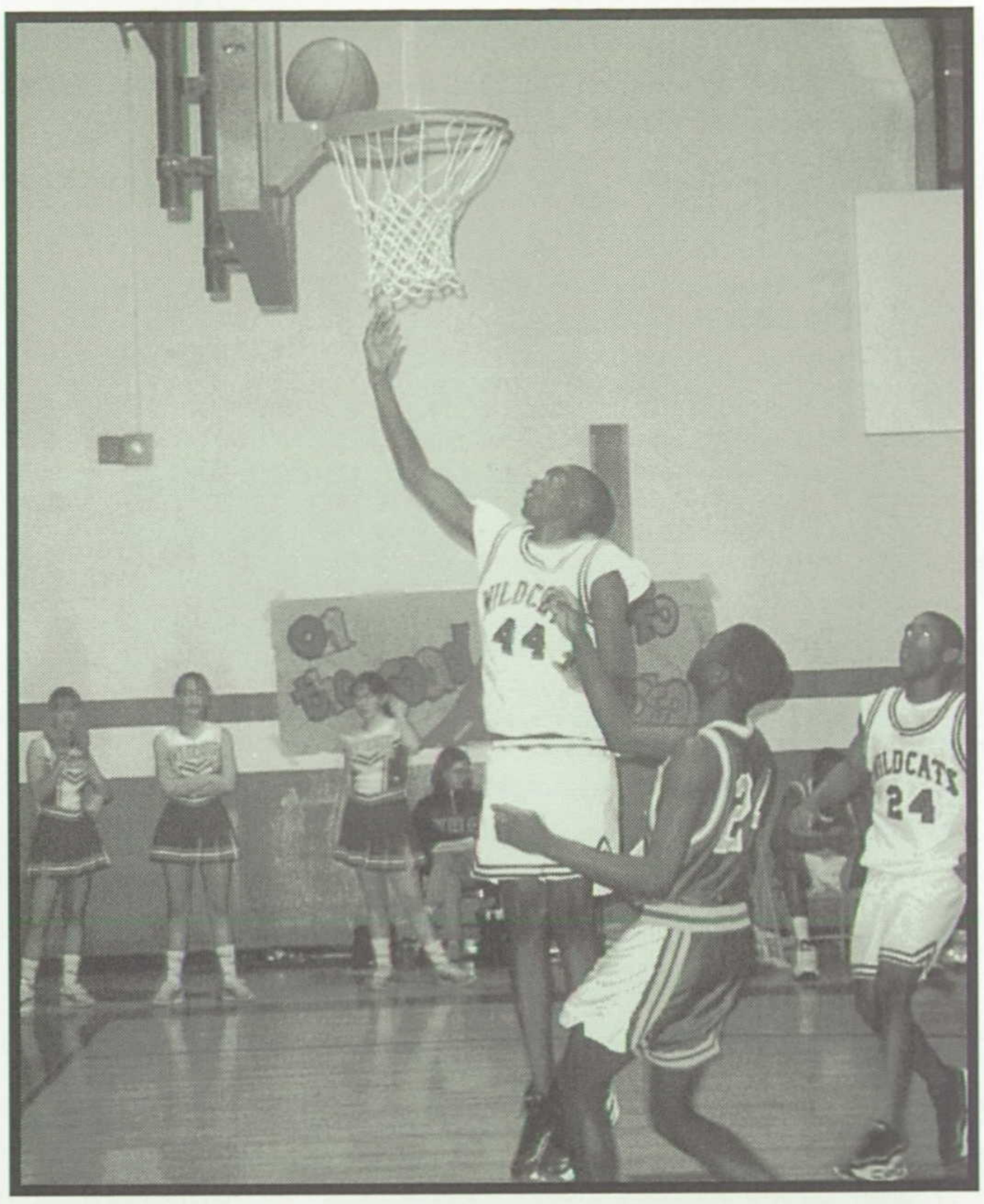


Junior Varsity player Chad Pearce goes in for a jump shot, shooting over the opponents, Royse City. The Wildcats had the opportunity to play all district teams twice.



During a game against Dallas Madison, Steve Brown goes in for a lay up to score for the Wildcats.

Freshman Lyndell Griggs blocks out the opponents, scoring for the Wildcats against Dallas Madison.



JV: Gabe Ramirez, Mike Chavez, Curtis Thrash, Brandon Jiles, Tommy Hatley, John Kelley, Allen Martin, Mike Alvarado, John Petry, Darrik Johnson, Mark Biondi, Chad Pearce, Clay Rickard, Coach Hale.

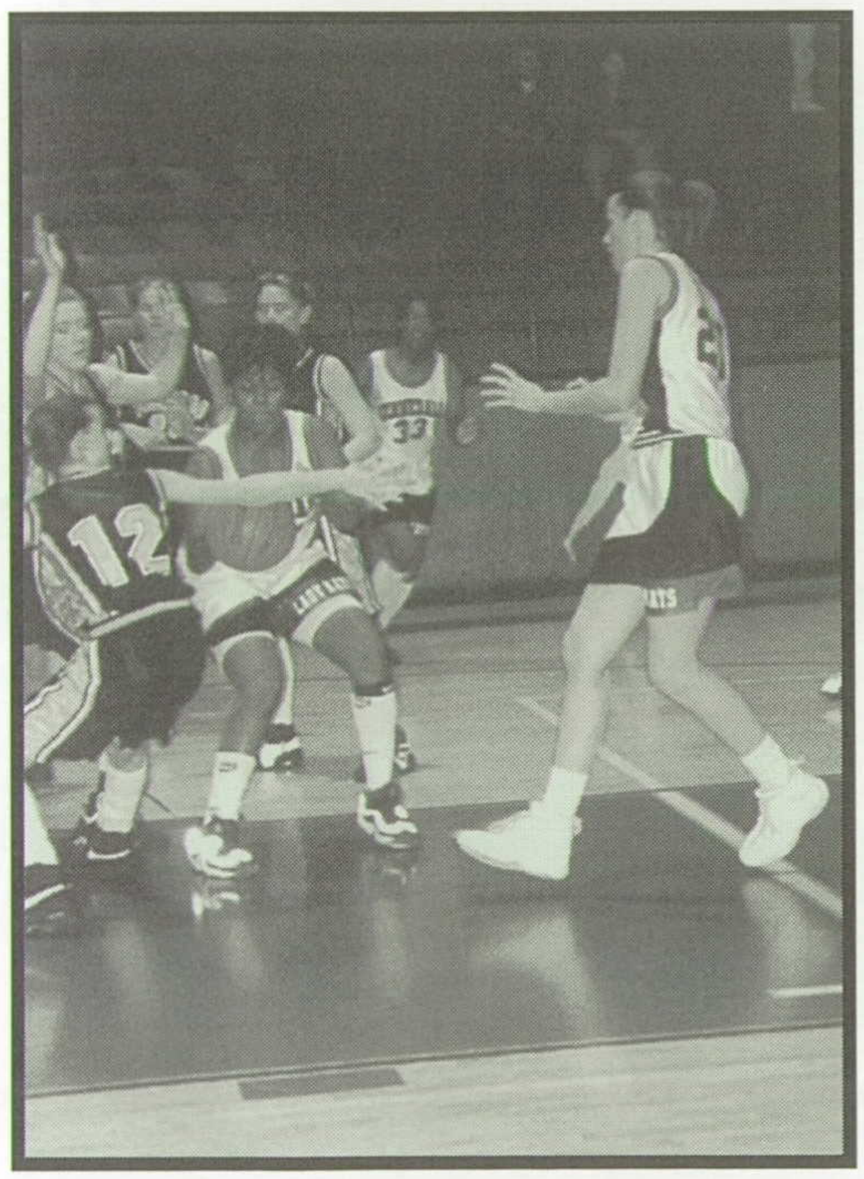
FRESHMEN BACK: D.J. Ryals, Deyon Francis, Bryan Knox, James Lanfear, Shey Stout. **FRONT:** Luke Franks, Ladrell James, Brandon Knox, Steve Brown, Coach Peters.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

HOOP IT UP

With their positive attitudes they dramatically improved their overall record, putting them in contention for the district championship.

Through hardwork and perseverance the Ladykats overcame the misfortunes they had experienced in the past. They went from a disappointing 6-22 record three years ago to an outstanding18-13 season.

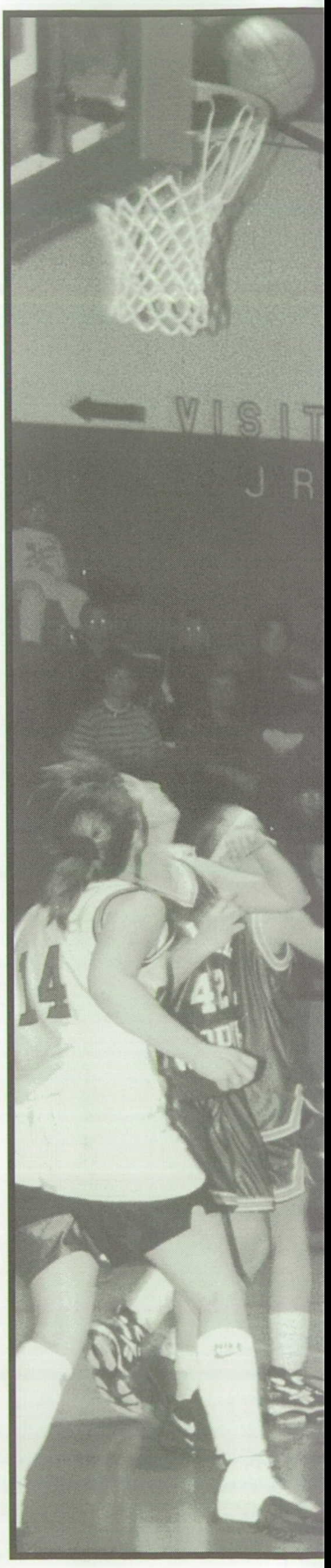


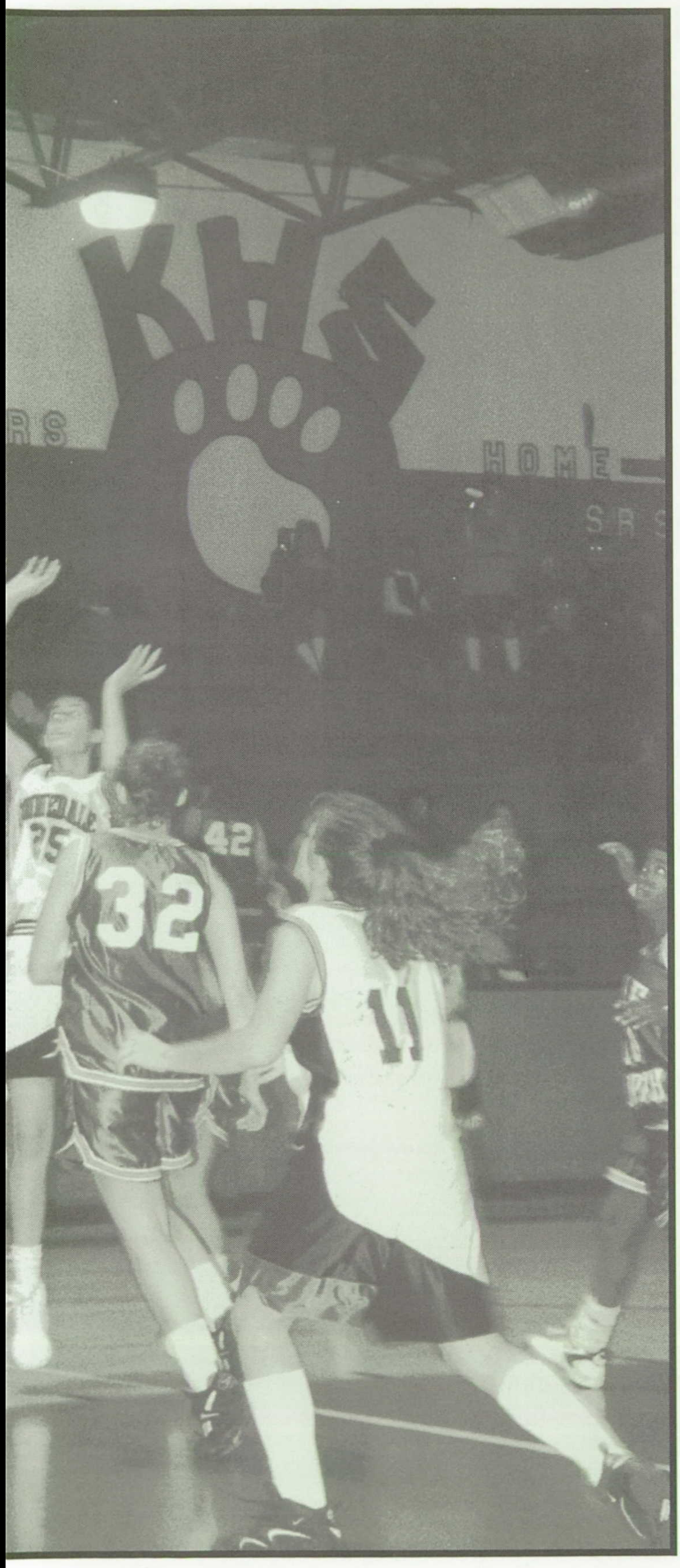
Senior MVP Kim James saves the ball from opponents Crandall. Kim scored a game high of 28 points as they upset Crandall in double overtime, 58-53. This was Crandalls only district loss in three years.

Taking the ball down court, senior Kim Brumfield searches for a player to receive her pass. The Ladykats defeated Royse City, 59-53. Kim assisted the Ladykats with completing the last half of the season after recovering from her third knee surgery.

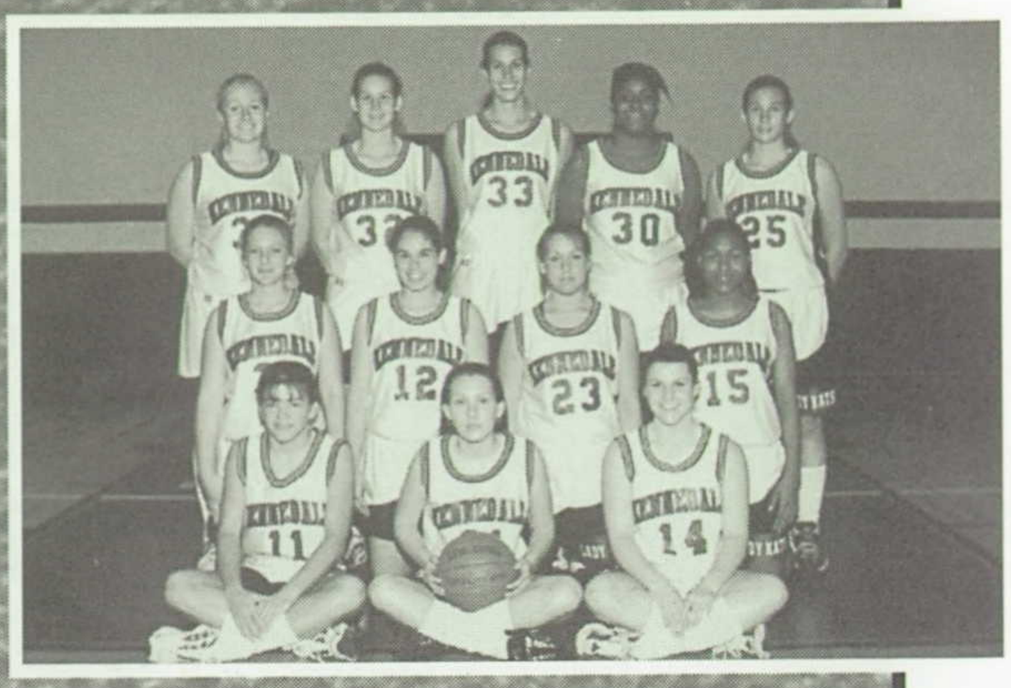
They combined teamwork, positive attitudes and their love for basketball to challenge the standards set before them. They excelled to their fullest by enduring gruelling workouts and heeding their coaches' advice. The team strived to be the best that they could be and were rewarded for their efforts. Senior Kim James was named MVP and Joni Greenfield was named most improved player.

The Ladykats used their natural talents and executed game winning strategies to finish the season strong. Although the team lost all but three of its players, they looked forward to another promising season.





Concentrating on her aim, junior Rebecca Wynalda stretches over the opponents to score for the Ladykats. They claimed victory over Lake Worth, 60-37.



VARSITY BACK: Janea Whightsil, Miranda Mayse, Rebecca Wynalda, Kim James, Rachel Wynalda. **MIDDLE:** Misti Biondi, Ashley Bullard, Dee Dee Kirkpatrick, Chaneera Francis. **FRONT:** Joni Greenfield, Kim Brumfield, Amie Kirkpatrick.

JV BACK: Ashley Hall, Holly Golden, Nicci Burgess, Susan Massey. **MIDDLE:** Amber Crawford, Kalila Berry, Leah Couch, Carla Geeslin. **FRONT:** Kelly Piacenti, Heather Schulze, Lindsey Little.

FRESHMEN BACK: Toni Rushing, Honnah Adams, Nicole Fleschner, Julie Thomas, Jessica Fish. **MIDDLE:** Jenny Salinas, Jessie Beard, Joanna Collins. **FRONT:** Jodi Durham, Jaime Dickens, Toya Stevens.

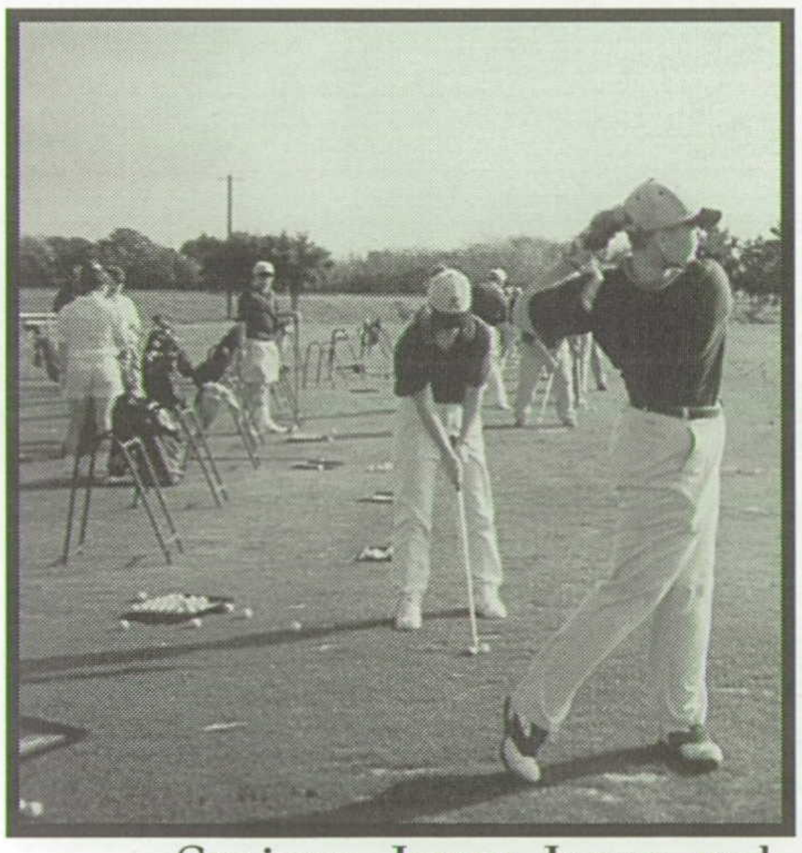
GOLF & TENNIS

SWINGING FOR SUCCESS

They tested their patience as they concentrated on learning and developing new techniques.

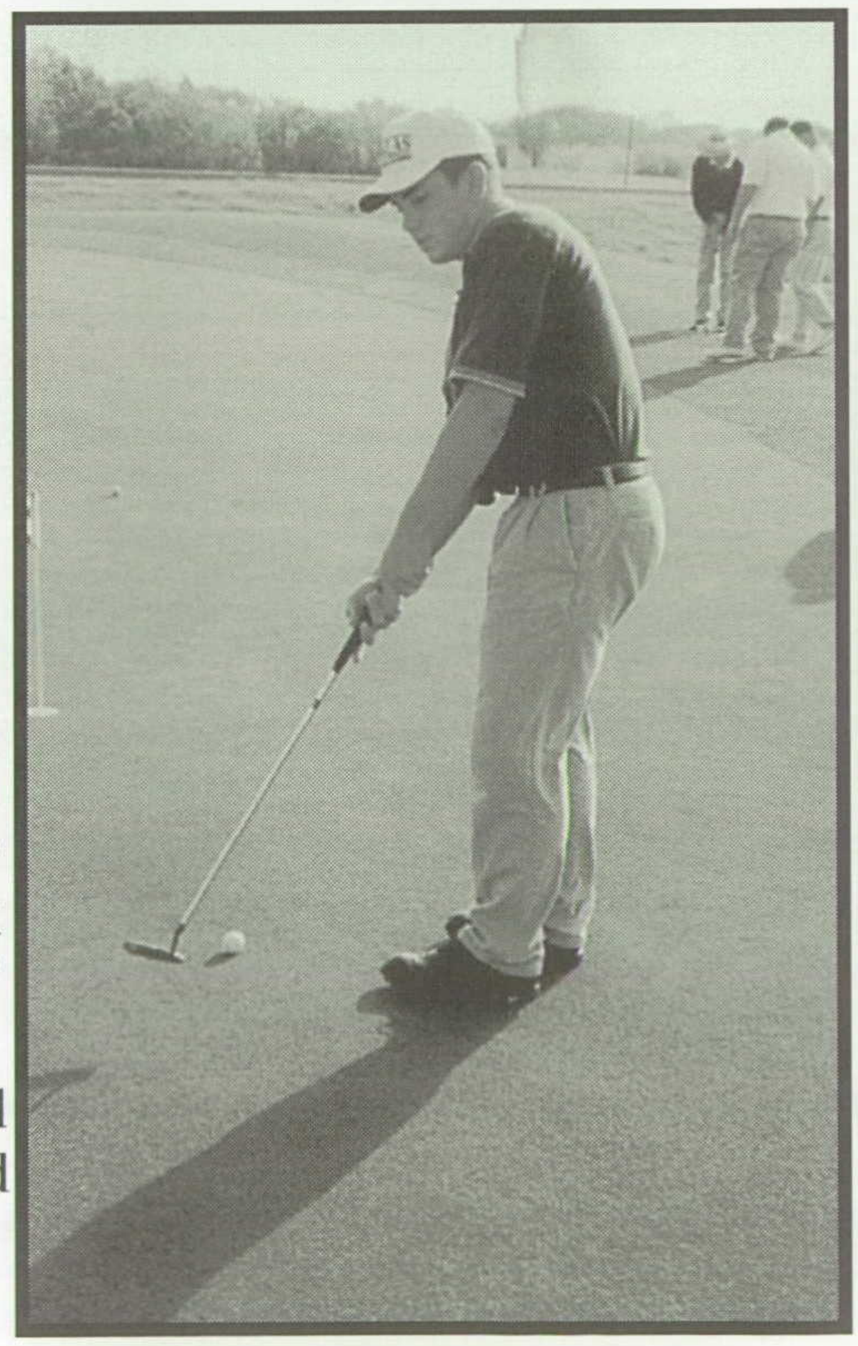
The students that participated in golf and tennis tested their patience as they concentrated on their techniques and coordination.

The Girls and Boys Golf team developed and perfected their skills during the year. The girls won District and placed eighth at Regionals. The boys, with their outstanding playing ability, advanced to District and placed second at the Highlander Classic and third at the Trimble Tech Invitational.



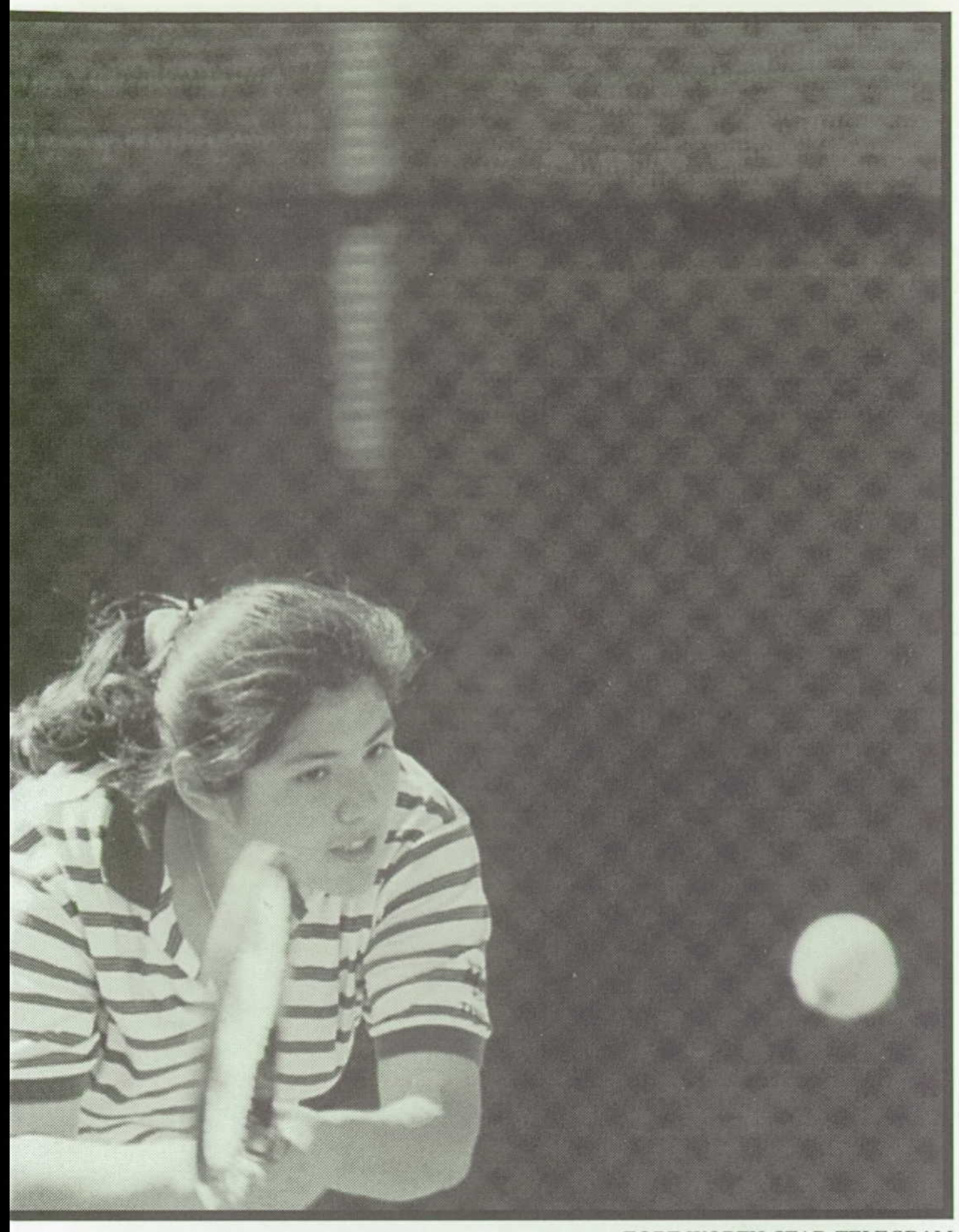
The Tennis team took advantage of the home court at TCJC in South Fort Worth where the District 11 3A tennis tournament was held. Seniors, Jenny Jones and Amy Casbeer advanced to the semifinals for the varsity doubles, placing third. Elizabeth Levy, a freshman on the varsity squad, won two singles matches and reached the semifinals, taking third place. On the JV level, sophomores Jackie Casbeer and Heather Schulze advanced to the finals, winning first place. "I think everyone did just great and I am very proud of everybody." Coach Young

Hard work, dedication and hours of practice allowed both the golf teams and tennis teams to be successful and reach their goals.



Girls Golf Team members Jennifer Statum and Patricia Wilkerson practice their swings while at the Hidden Creek driving range.

Brad Horton practices putting while at Hidden Creek in Burleson. Brad placed fourth in District and seventh at Regionals.



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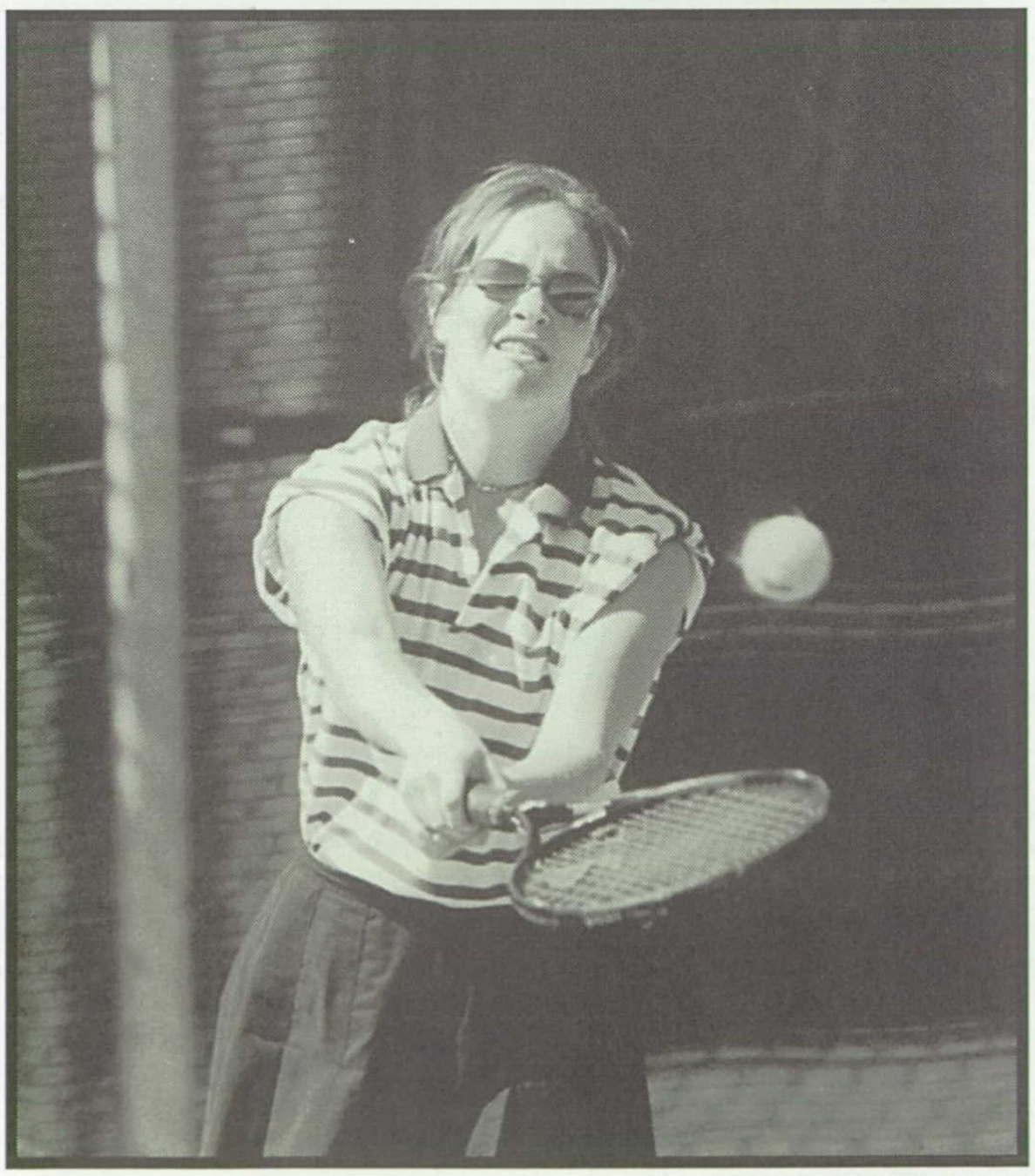
Freshman Elizabeth Levy returns a serve while playing in the District tournament. With an excellent performance, Elizabeth reached the semifinals.



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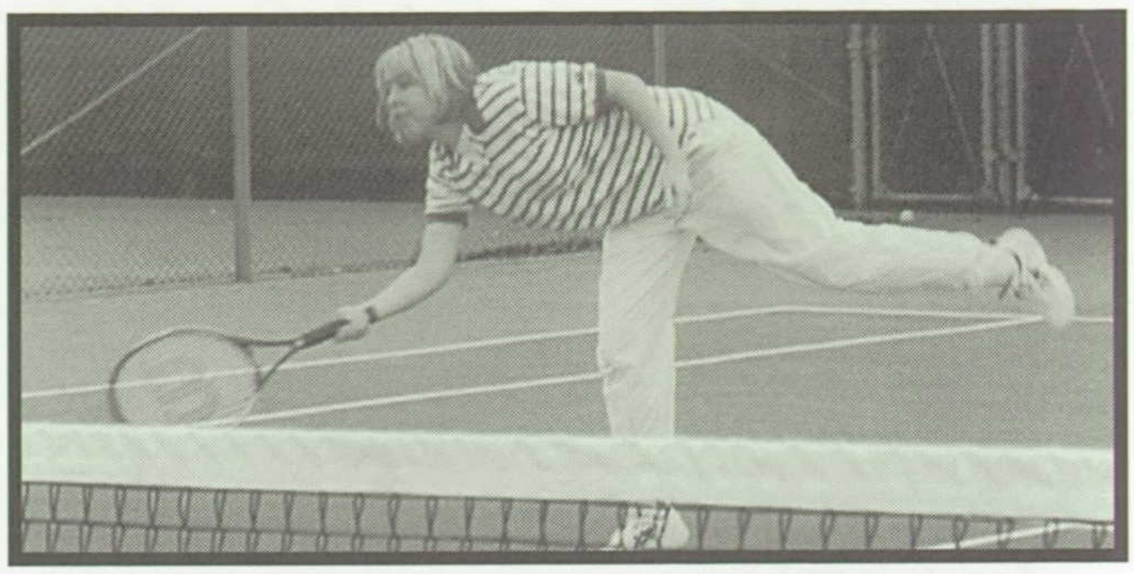
Freshman Honnah Adams returns during one of the 11 3-A tennis tournament games at Tarrant County Junior College in south Fort Worth.

Senior Sara Hamilton reaches for the ball during a practice match. She has been a member of the tennis team since her freshman year.



GOLF BACK: Weston Hunter, Brad Horton, James Walden, Jason Robards, Aaron Donaldson, Jimmy Combs, Coach Solomon. **FRONT:** Isaac Baldonado, Brittany Jowers, Jennifer Statum, Patricia Wilkerson, Amber Morris, Ray Weeks. **Not Pictured:** Shey Stout.

TENNIS BACK: Sara White, Karen Pinkerton, Honnah Adams, Sara Hamilton, Mike Agnello, Heather Schulze, Coach Young. **FRONT:** Amy Casbeer, Jenny Jones, Elizabeth Levy, Jackie Casbeer, Carley Nichols.

BASEBALL

OVER THE FENCE

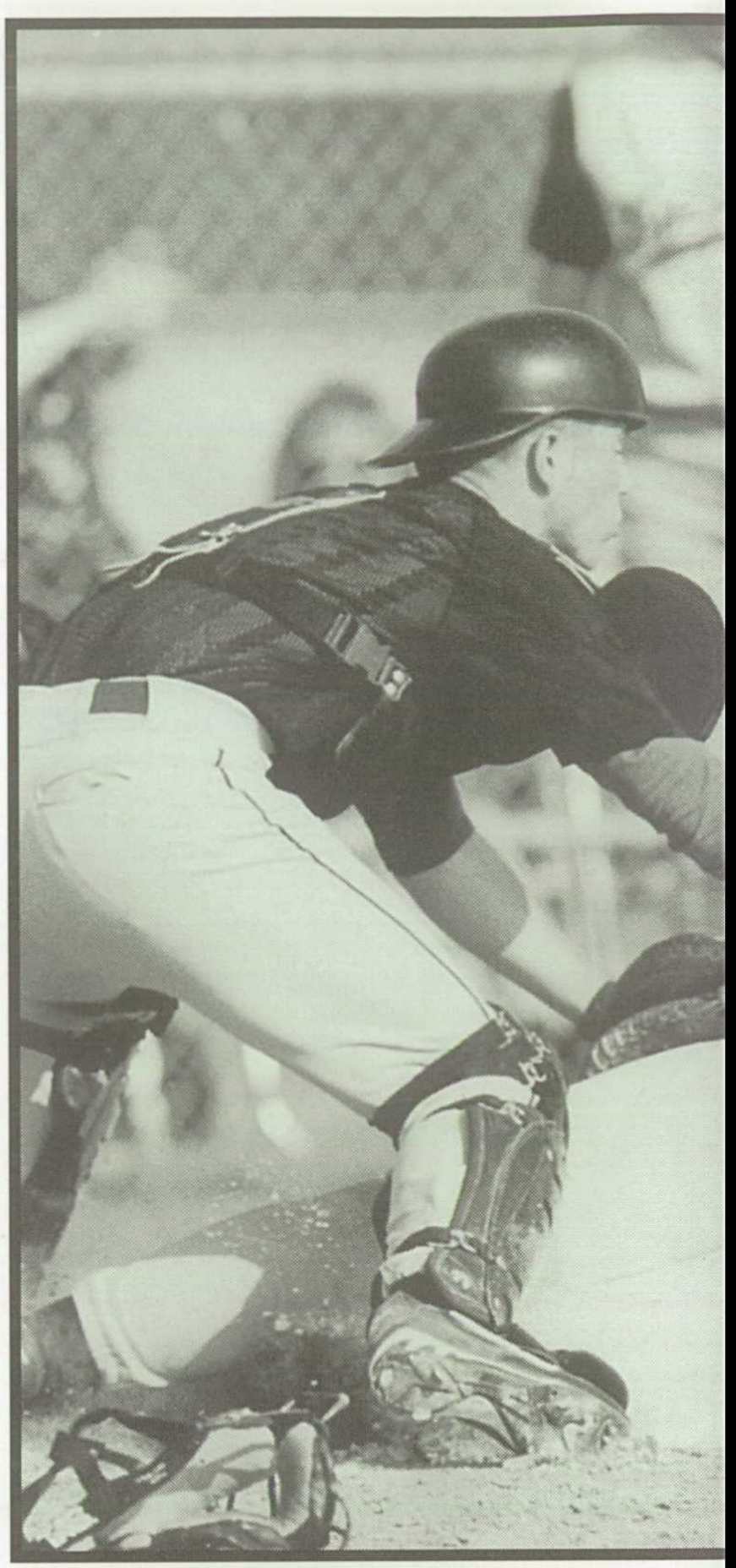
By demonstrating outstanding sportsmanship, they pulled together to overcome many obstacles on their way to their third straight playoff appearance.

The Wildcat baseball team had a remarkable season, finishing as the Area Round Finalists in the State Baseball playoffs.

Through outstanding efforts and coaching, the varsity team made their third straight playoff appearance and ended with a 15-9 overall record, 7-3 for the district. They became the Bi-district Champs after winning against the previously undefeated Kemp who was ranked fifth in the state. The JV Baseball Team did equally as well, finishing as the 11 3-A District Champions with a 14-8 record, 6-1 for the district.

Eleven of the players were honored by being placed on the All District Team that included pitcher Daniel Hommel as the District Most Valuable Player.

As a group, the 1998 Wildcat Baseball players demonstrated the meaning of the word TEAM by pulling together to overcome many obstacles along their way to the state playoffs. Coach Teague stated, "As head coach of this team, I would like to congratulate all of the JV and Varsity players along with the best baseball coaching staff in the state for their outstanding achievements during the 1998 season."



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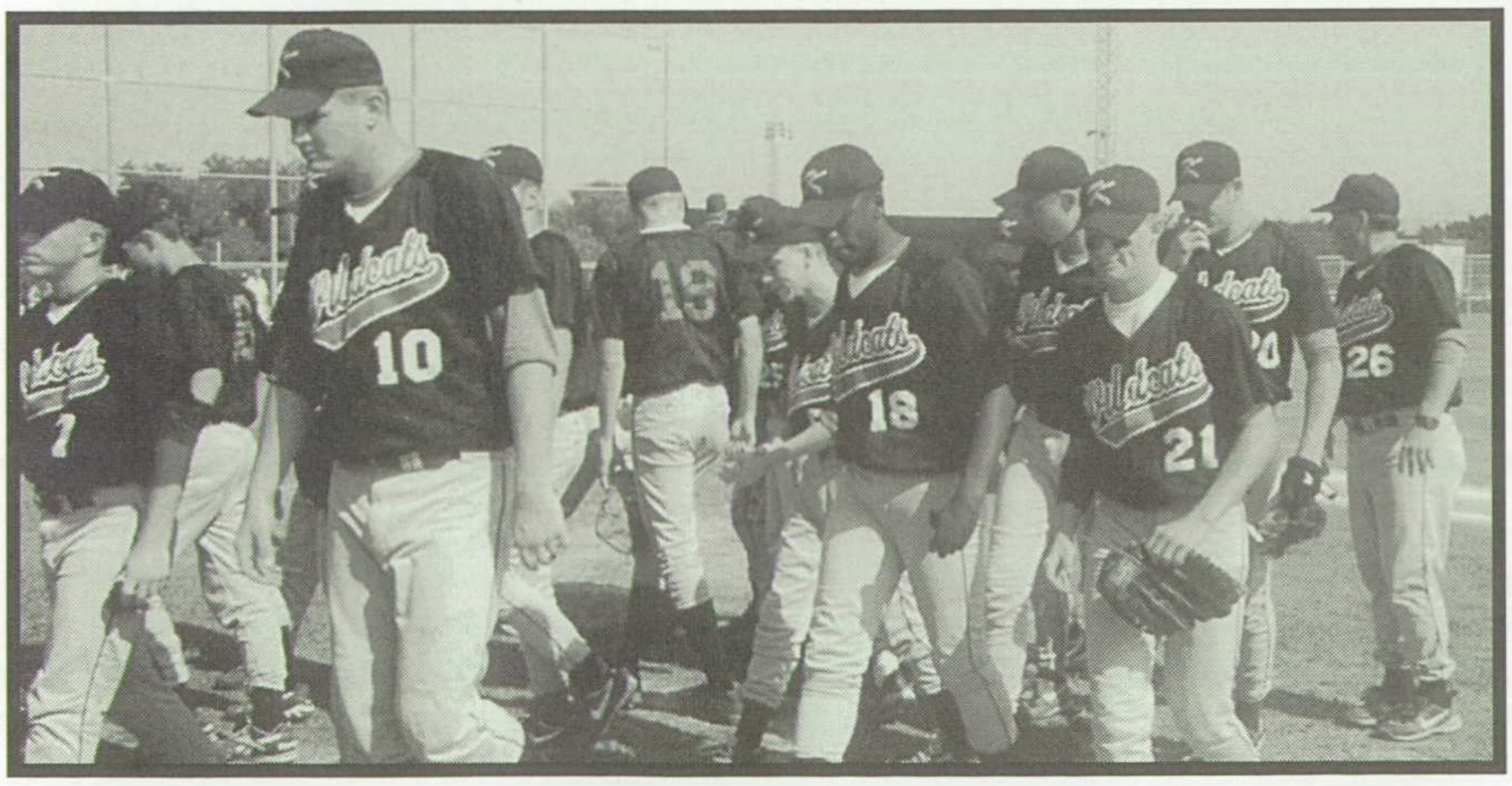
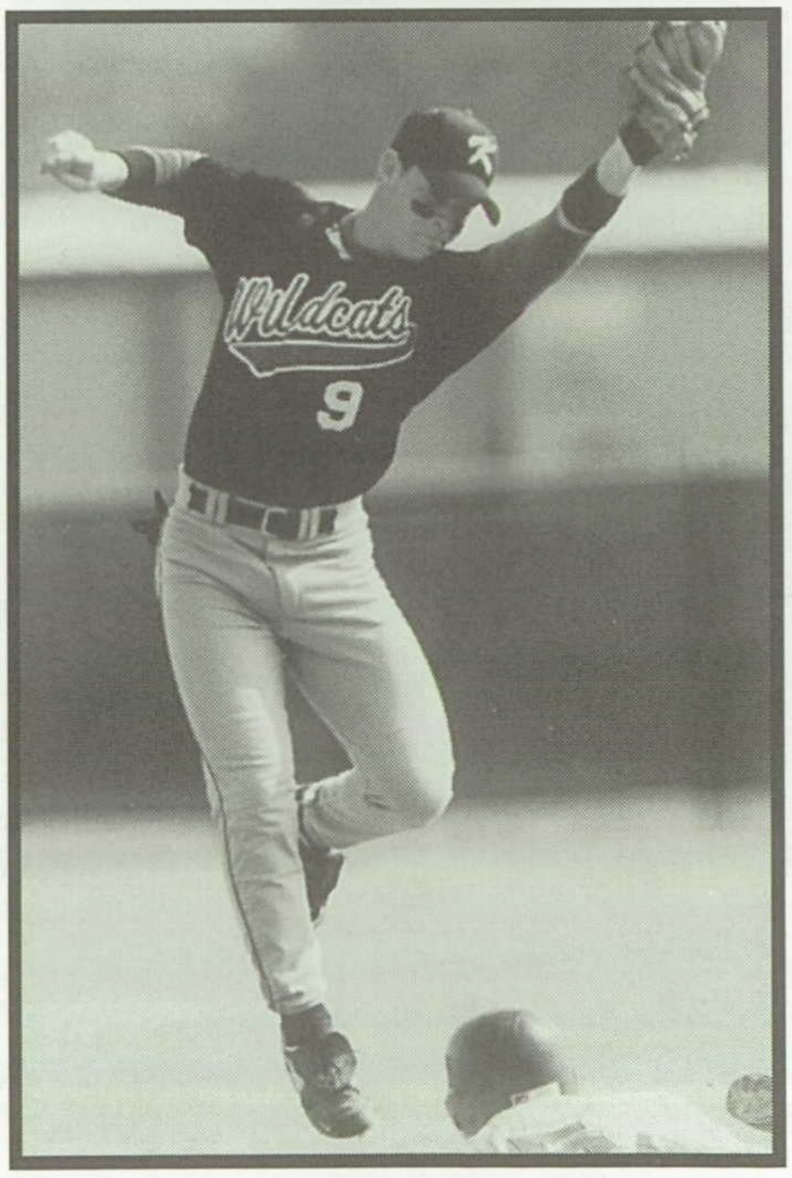
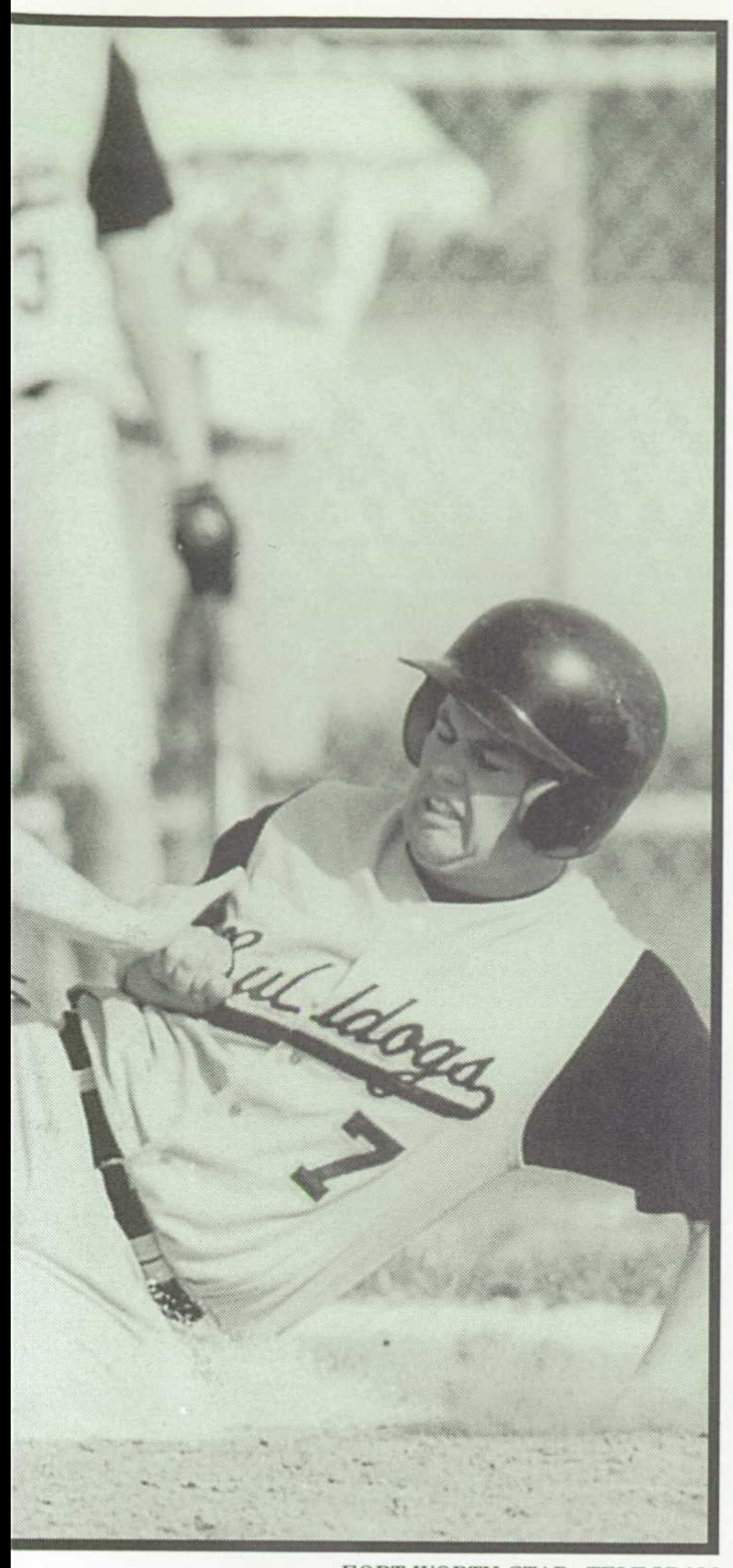


The Wildcats come in from the outfield and get ready to bat against Ferris while at home. The team exploded for eight runs during the fifth and sixth innings to prevail 9-1.



Dustin Duncan takes the throw on second as the Ferris player slides into base. Dustin was the District 11 3-A MVP Hitter with an area best .603 batting average.



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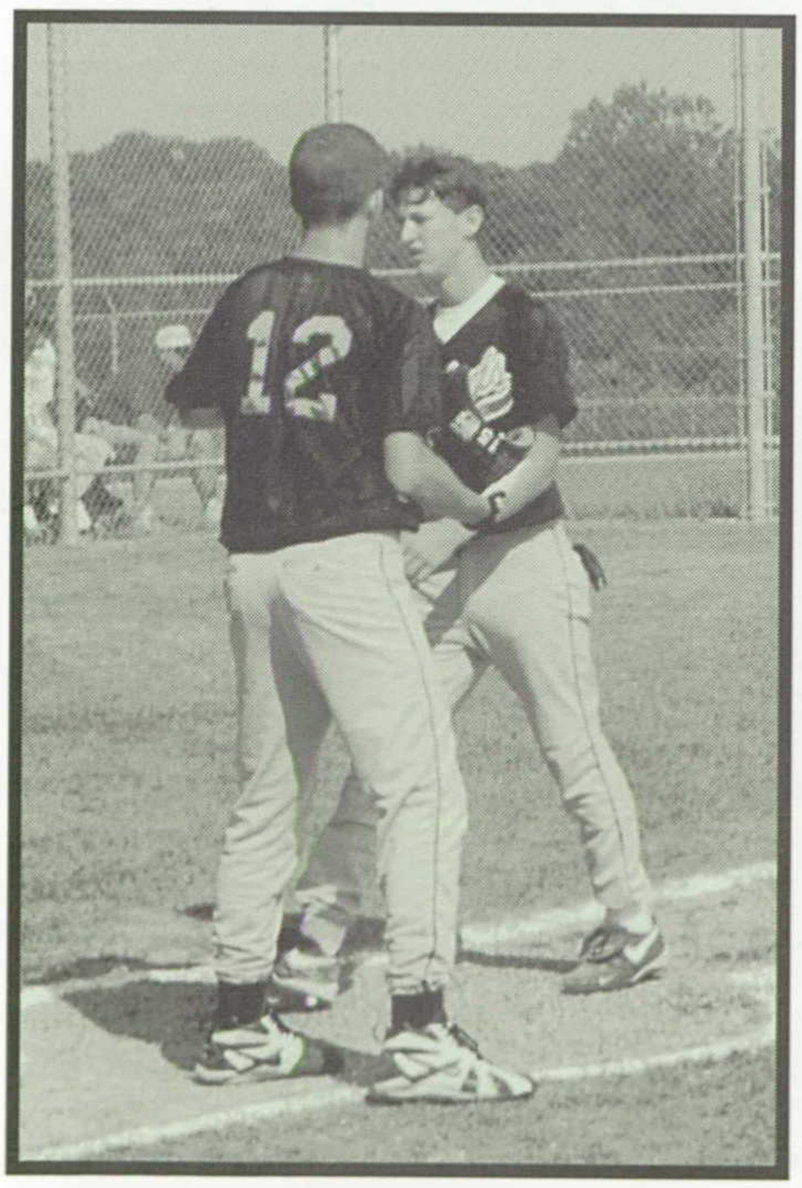
Catcher Tim Wakeland tags out the Royse City player as he slides into home base. The Wildcats defeated the district opponents at home, 7-6.

Coach Trantham gives the players some pointers before they take the outfield against Crandall. The Wildcats defeated the Pirates at home,11-1.

VARSITY BACK: Lindsay Kegans, Summer Morris, Coach Trantham, Coach Barksdale, Jason Robinson, Daniel Hommel, Clint Swindell, Jason Brown, Andrew Sheffler, Coach Teague, Coach Schubert, Aaron Wood. **FRONT:** Mark Biondi, Joe Ward, Scotty Messer, Ryan Cosser, Jason Greenfiald, J.R. Baade, Chris Law, Tim Wakeland, Dustin Duncan, Derik Patton, Dusty Davis.



Varsity player J.R. Baade is congratulated by Mark Biondi after stealing home to score the first run against Ferris. J.R. was nominated First Team All District along with Chris Law and Ryan Cosser.

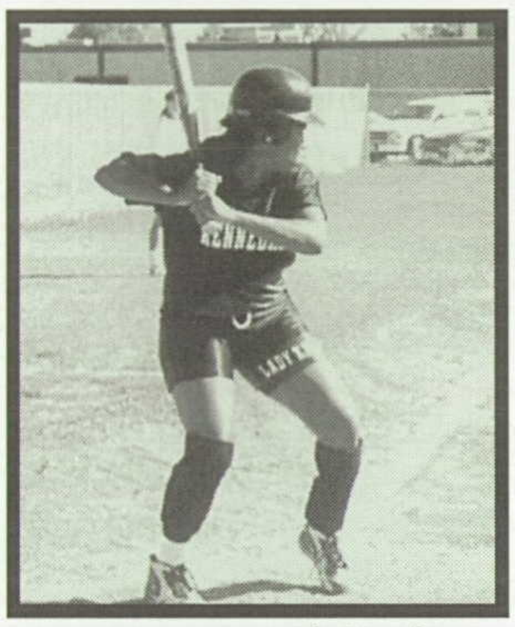
JV BACK: Coach Barksdale, Luke Franks, Stephen Patterson, Brandon Knox, Justin Mathews, Kary Krafve, John Morrison, Coach Schubert. **FRONT:** Victor Cajero, Bryan Knox, Ben Eubanks, Rodney Swindell, Matt Alldredge, Cody Cox, Chris Casas, Gabe Ramirez.

SOFTBALL

STATE CHAMPS

Through hard work, determination and a committment to the team, the Ladykats became the first team in Kennedale's history to win a State Championship.

The Kennedale Ladykat softball team became the first team in the history of the school to win a State championship.

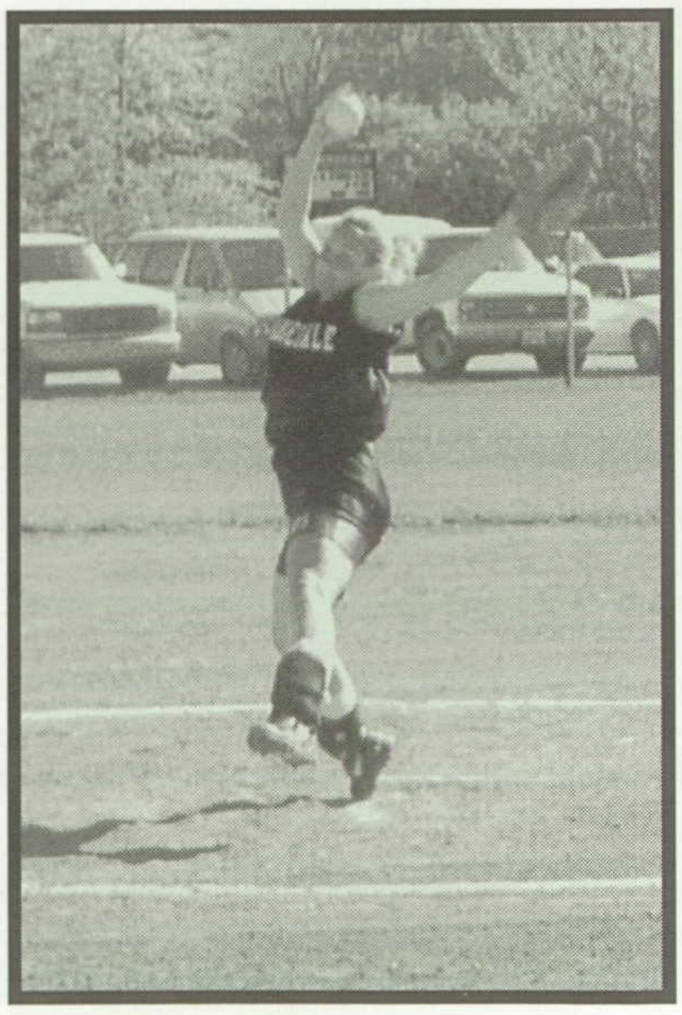


Through hardwork, determination and a commitment to the team, these players achieved the highest honor that can be bestowed upon a team. They beat some of the best 4A and 5A teams in the state and erased any doubt about whether or not they were the areas best softball team as they made their way to the state championship.

There were many stars on this team who gave up their own glory to do what was best. They set the standard for all teams to follow. The Ladykats ended their victorious season with a 26-5-2 record.

FORT WORTH STAR-TELEGRAM

Ashley Bullard steals home to score one of the seven runs against Sanger. This victory took the Ladykats on to the Region II Semifinals where they defeated Atlanta and continued to the State Championship in Austin.



Senior Miranda Mayse pitches a one-hitter against district team Royse City. The Ladykats claimed victory over the bulldogs, 8-1.

FORT WORTH STAR-TELEGRAM

Dee Dee Kirkpatrick slides into third base as the Martin High School player attempts to tag her out. Dee Dee had two doubles, driving in two runs to give the team the lead.The Ladykats defeated the Martin Warriors during this non district game at home, 7-4. Senior Miranda Mayse said, "At first I was nervous because they were a 5A school, but after the first inning, I wasn't nervous any more."

VARSITY BACK: Janea Whightsil, Miranda Mayse, Rebecca Wynalda, Kim James, Carla GeesliN. **MIDDLE:** Misti Biondi, Dee Dee Kirkpatrick, Ashley Bullard.**FRONT:** Joni Greenfield, Kelly Piacenti, Amie Kirkpatrick.

FORT WORTH STAR-TELEGRAM

Ashley Bullard is congratulated by teammate Kim James as she scores the first run of the game. The Ladykats shut out Sanger, 7-0, in front of a standing room only crowd of approximately five-hundred spectators at Keller High School.

JV BACK: Jenny Salinas, Rachel Wynalda, Julie Thomas. **MIDDLE:** Courtney Drew, Joanna Collins. **FRONT:** Jessie Beard, Cynthia Whightsil.

BOYS & GIRLS TRACK

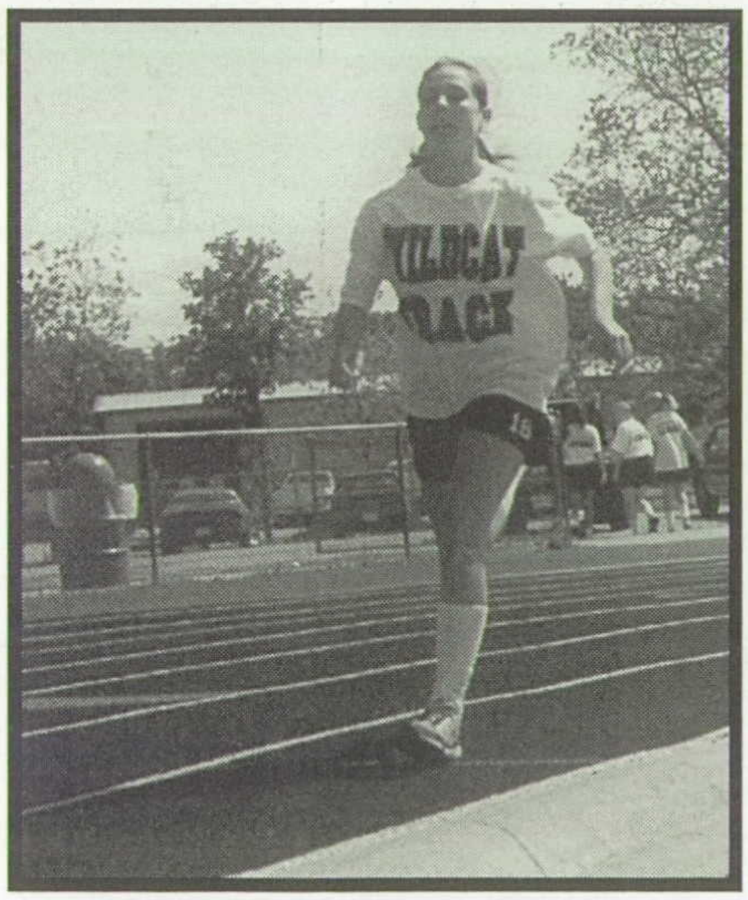
IN THE FAST LANE

Their desire to win led them to the Regional and State levels, breaking school records along the way.

Throughout the year the track team continued to set the pace. Mike Murphy started out by breaking the school record in the 3200 meter, not once, not twice, but three times. Mike also reached Regionals in the 3200 and 1600 meter races. Paskell Elliot also set a school best of 21.8 seconds in the 200 meter dash and went to Regionals in both the 100 and 200 meter races. Both of these great athletes won the chance to compete in the State competition.

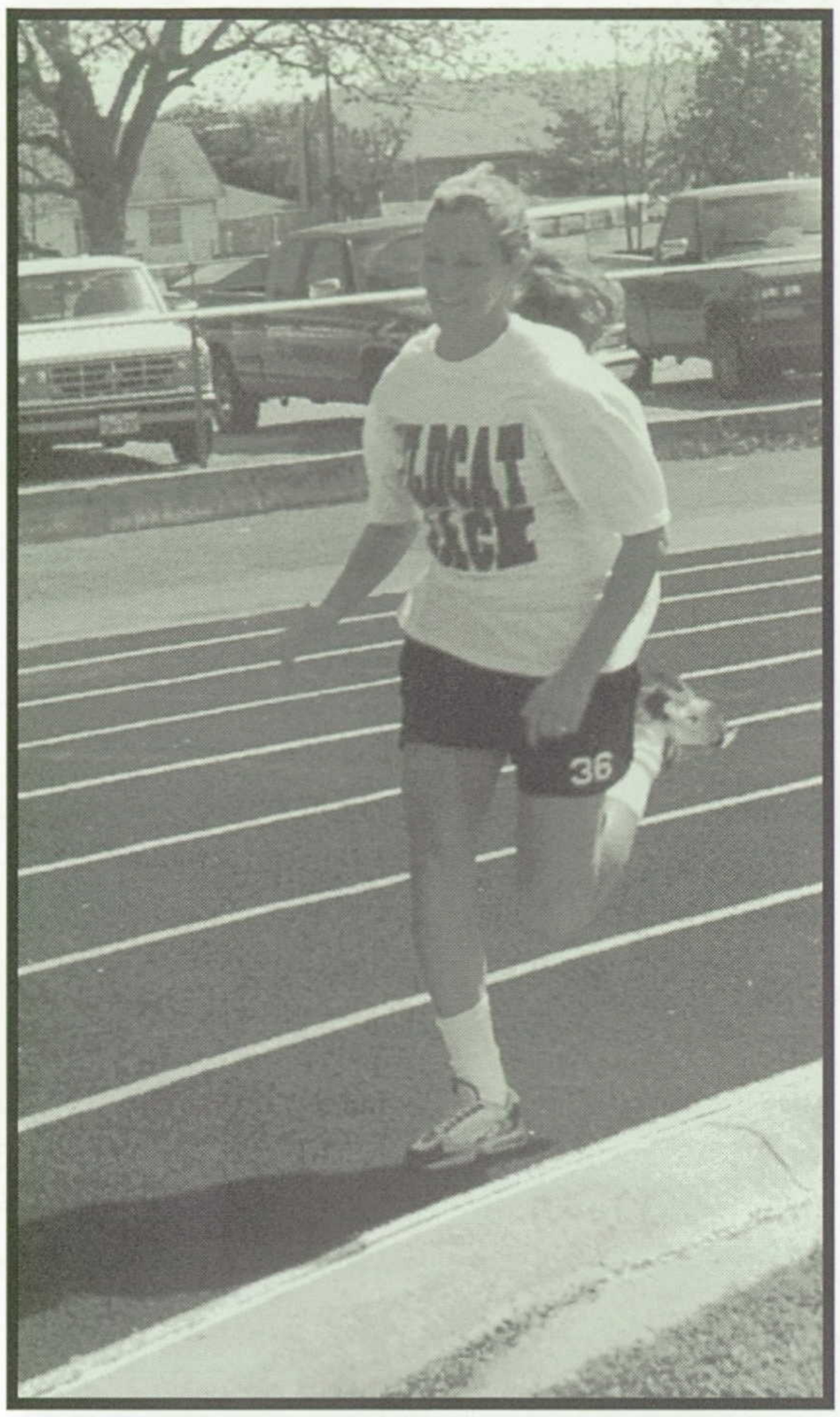
Sophomore Clay Rickard went to Regionals in the 3200 meter run, while the sprint relay team consisting of Shayne Middleton, Alfredo Parra, Paskell Elliott and Mike McCaslin ran a season best at 43.54 seconds at the Mabank Relays. "For such a small team, I was very pleased with all the effort the guys gave," Coach Webb remarked.

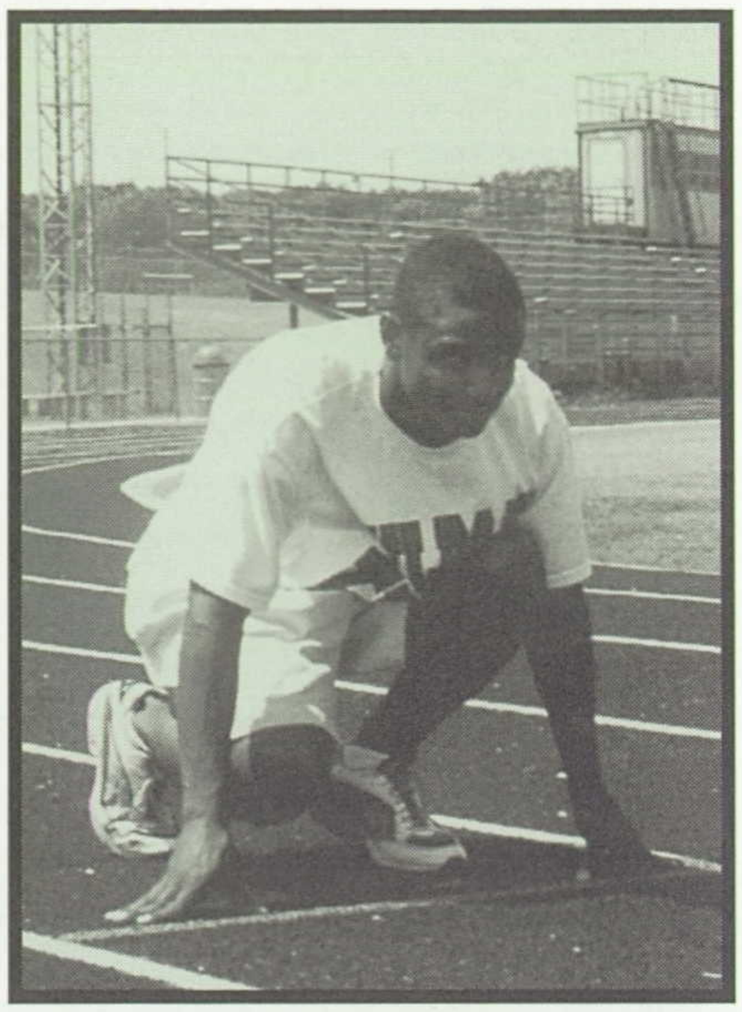
Girl's track also had great success. Although many of the team members were underclassmen, the desire to win led to many victories. Erika Olmos qualified for Regional competition in the 1600 and 3200 meter runs. Other Ladykats who reached the Regional level included Janea Whightsil in shot put, Kaycie Jones in triple jump, Loree Kovach in the 400 meter race and Heidi Golden in the 800 meter race. The MVP award went to Kaycie Jones for her outstanding accomplishments. by Ian Furman



Erika Olmos concentrates on her pace as she finishes her last lap. Erika qualified for Regionals in the 1600 and 3200 meter runs.

Kaycie Jones practices her form in the triple jump. Kaycie reached the regional level and was awarded MVP for her outstanding accomplishments.





Loree Kovach maintains her pace as she kicks out the last 100 meters. Loree was a regional qualifier in the 400 meter race.

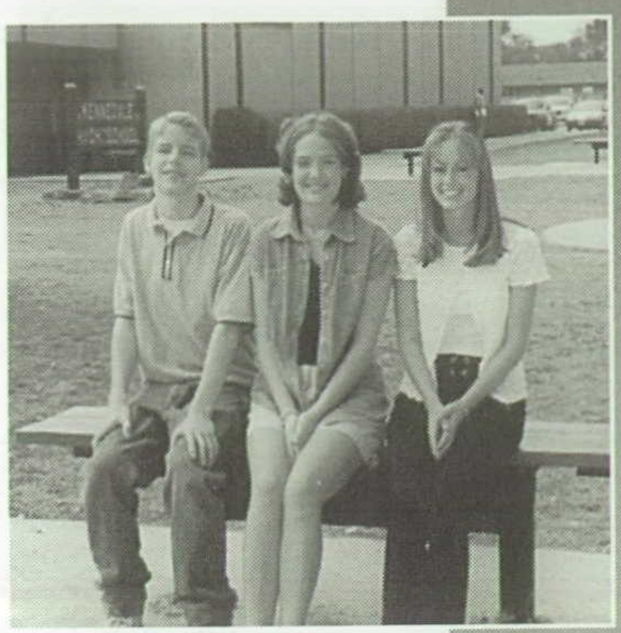
Paskell Elliott practices coming out of the block. Paskell set a school best of 21.8 seconds in the 200 meter dash and went to regionals and state in the 100 and 200 meter races.

Regional qualifier in the 1600 and 3200, Mike Murphy is in familiar territory. He broke the school record three times in the 3200 meter race and advanced to State.

BOYS TRACK BACK: Coach Webb, Ladrell James, Steve Brown, Darrik Johnson, Jacob Bayer, Allen Martin, Austin Johnson, Daniel Davis, Mike Murphy, Brandon Knox, Coach Lenzmeier. **FRONT:** Clay Rickard, Daniel Lester, Lance Franks, Jeff Kovach, Kevin O'Shields, Oliver Ho, Dustin Turner, B.J. Batten, John Morrison.

GIRLS TRACK BACK: Tiffany Shirley, Ashley Hall, Honnah Adams, Kaycie Jones, Loree Kovach, Janea Whightsil, Heidi Golden, Susan Massey, Lindsey Little. **MIDDLE:** Amber Crawford, Cassi Barnes, Angela Sparling, Jessica Fish, Robyn Bednar, Erika Olmos, Toya Stevens, Chonquia Turner. **FRONT:** Chaneera Francis, Kalila Berry, Jaime Dickens, Lenora Ivison, Lauren Billman, Laura Lujan, Toni Rushing, Jodi Durham.

Freshmen class officers were vice-president Ian Furman, president Honnah Adams and secretary Jessie Beard.



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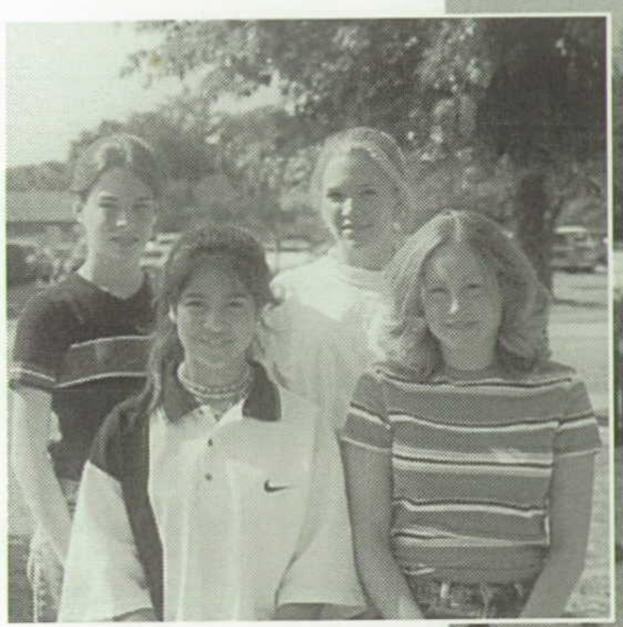

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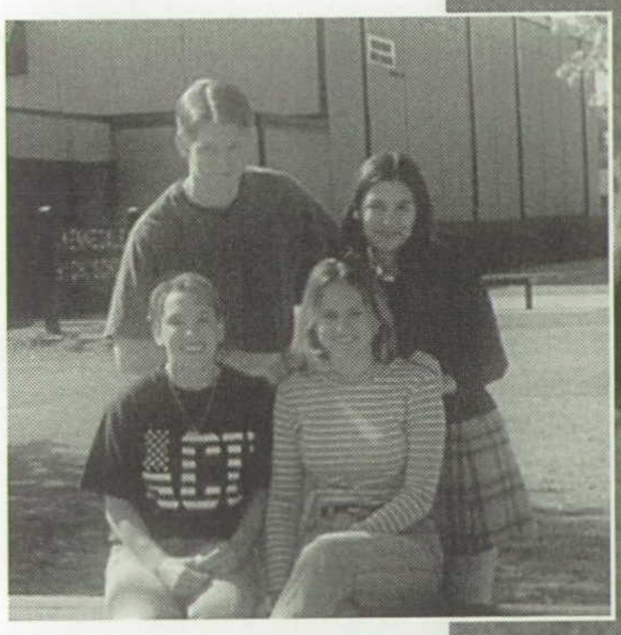
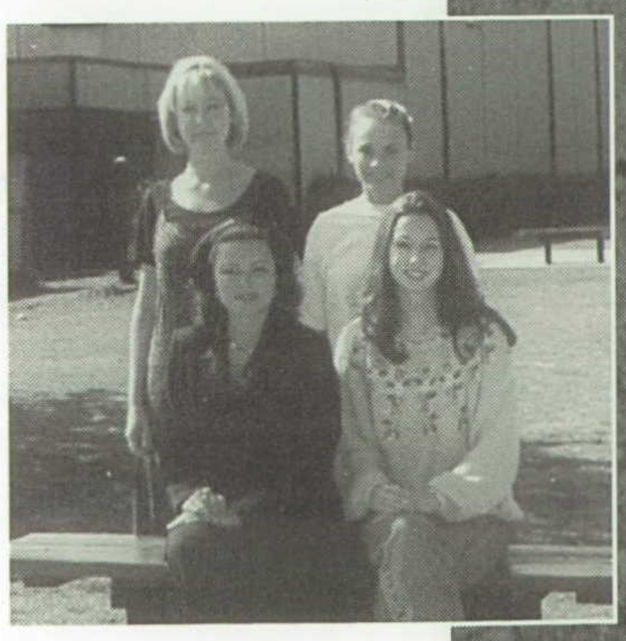
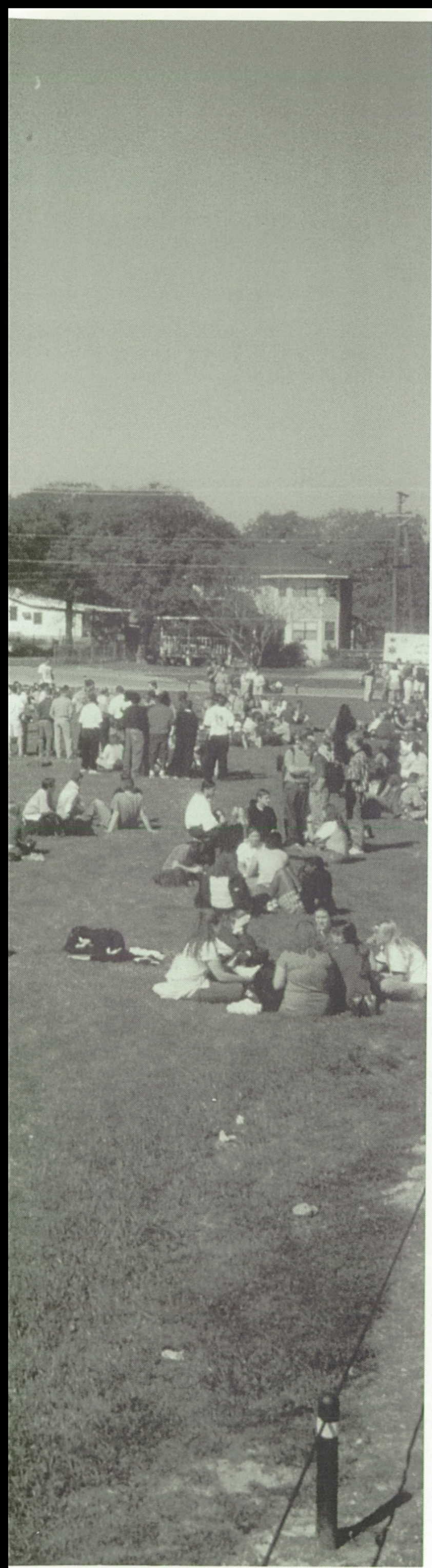


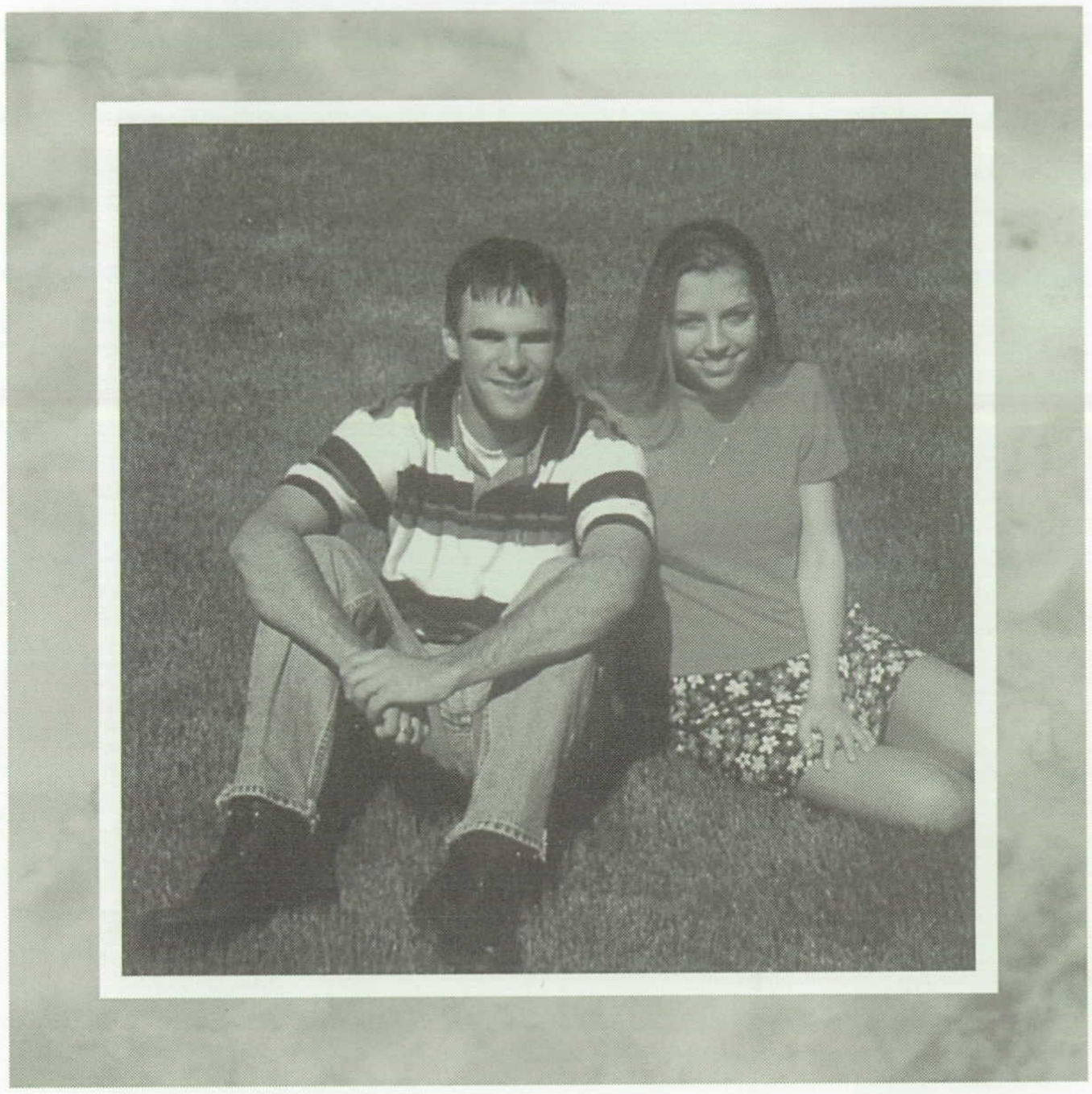
Senior class officers were president Sara White, vice-president Karen Pinkerton, secretary Sara Hamilton and treasurer Amy Casbeer.





People

They were strangers, familiar faces, acquaintances and best friends. They were different ages and sizes. They represented various personalities, backgrounds and cultures. Regardless of how the relationships were defined, the diversified student body learned from each other and how to get along in the crowded hallways. As the year progressed, the freshmen matured and adapted to high school, while the seniors prepared for their departure. In the meantime, the dedicated faculty guided them while the administrators kept them safe. This book is what they were about and the following pages are who they were. They came together as one to represent the people of Kennedale High School.

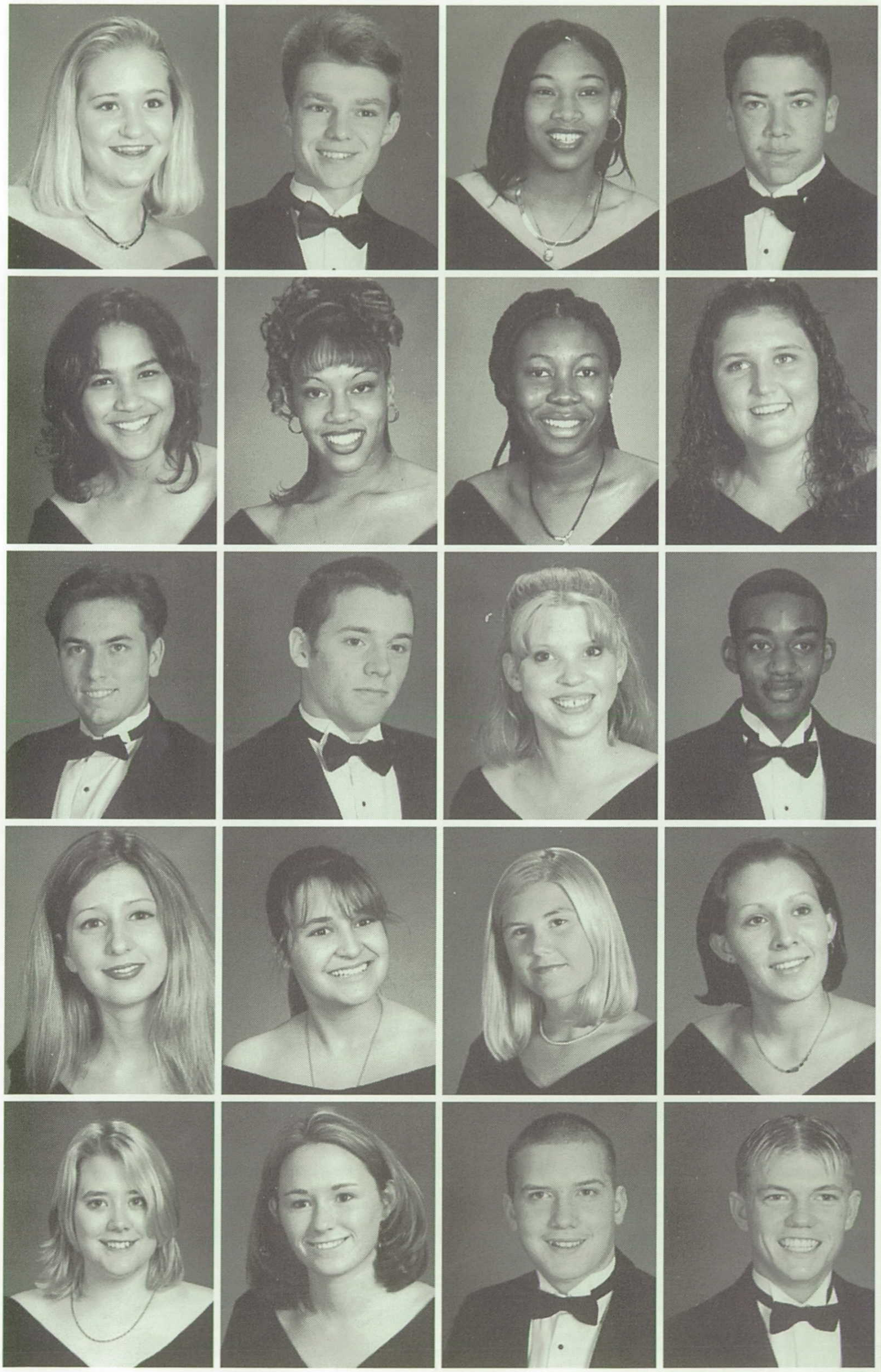


A FINAL LOOK

THE SENIORS

As the senior class of 1998 cleared a path for their future, they spent their last year at Kennedale High School creating bittersweet memories that they will carry with them always. They prevailed in spirit, academics and athletics. They possessed the leadership qualities necessary to keep them on top. As the years faded and became the past, they prepared to enter the real world. They were a product of pride for their parents and all of those that looked up to them. Congratulations seniors!

Seniors Ryan Cosser and Summer Morris were nominated by the student body to represent the school as Mr. and Miss KHS. Congratulations to the both of them!



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Mike Agnello
Thomeka Allen
Rusty Allen

Amanda Amador
Myriah Anderson
Akua Asare
Crystal Bahleda

Chris Baker
David Bayer
Debra Berry
Jamal Berry

Tasha Bosworth
Courtney Brewer
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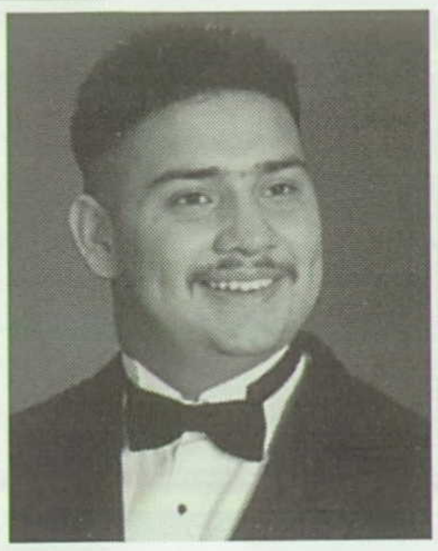
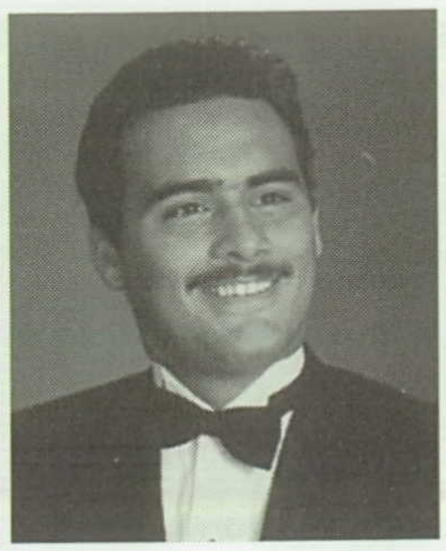
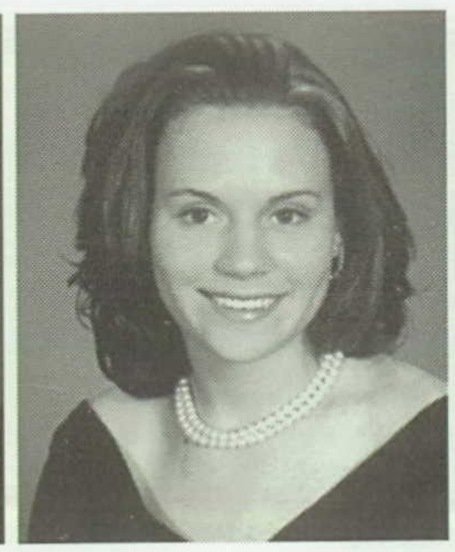
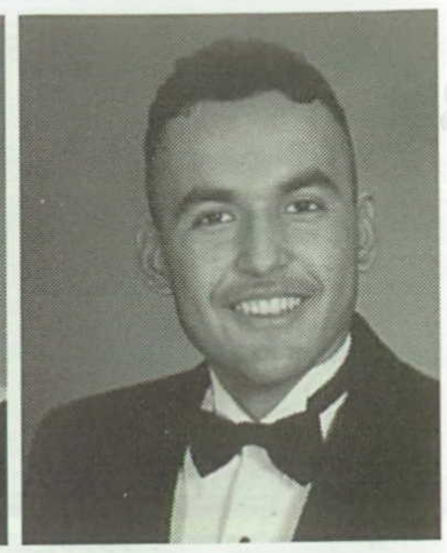





Class FAVORITES

Senior Class Favorites recalled what they were most proud of accomplishing while at Kennedale High School.

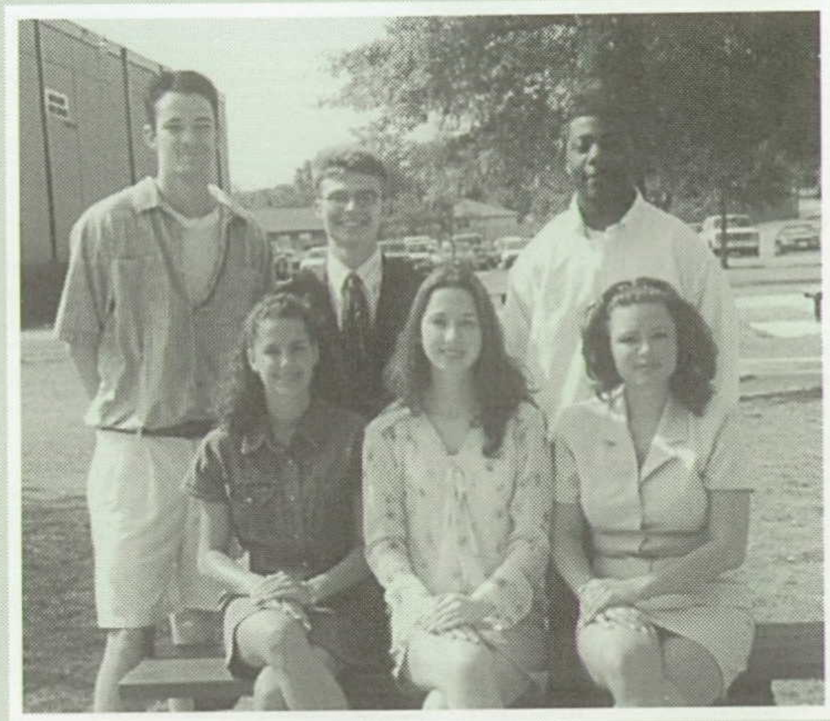
"Taking the men's quartet to state." *Justin Reynolds*

"Being homecoming queen and student council president." *Heidi Golden*

"Finally making all region band." *Mike Agnello*

"Being valedictorian." *Karen Pinkerton*

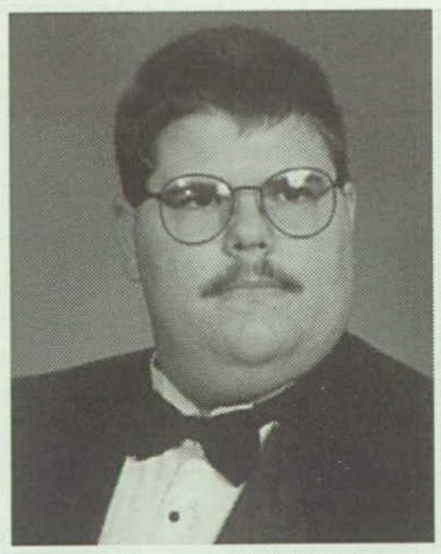
"Taking a solo and ensemble to state all four years and achieving a football scholarship." *Jordan Spradley*

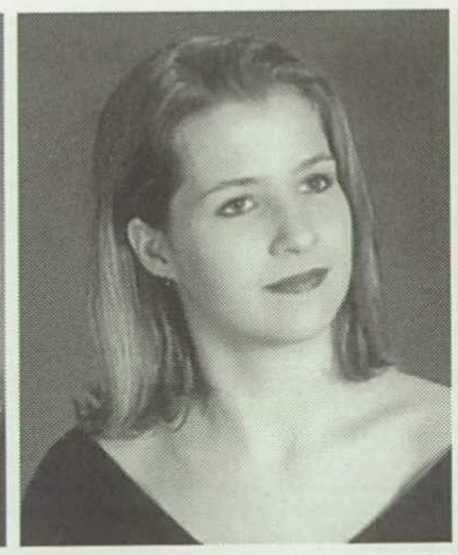
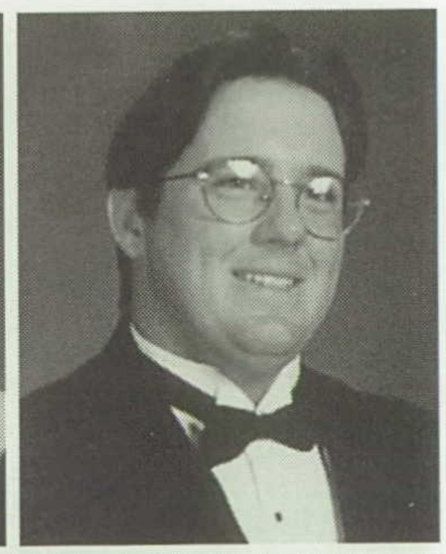
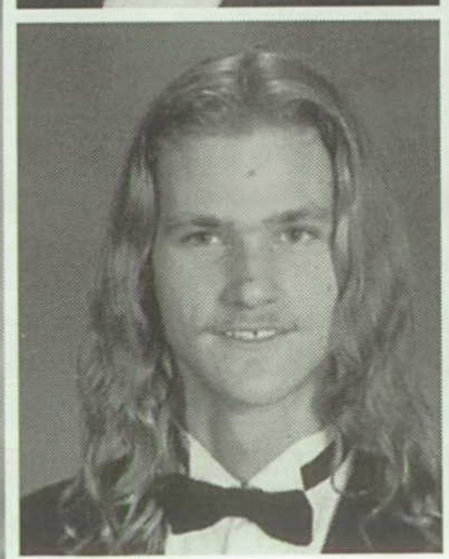
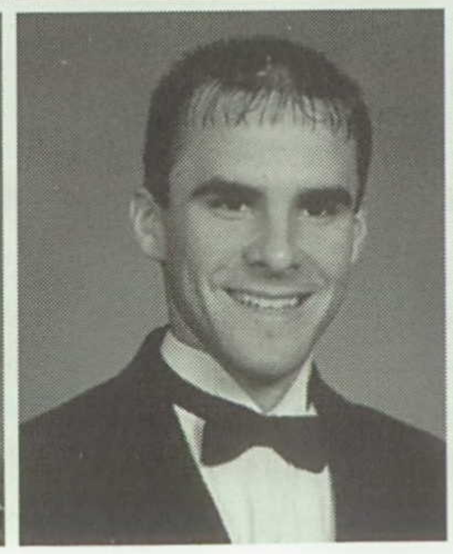
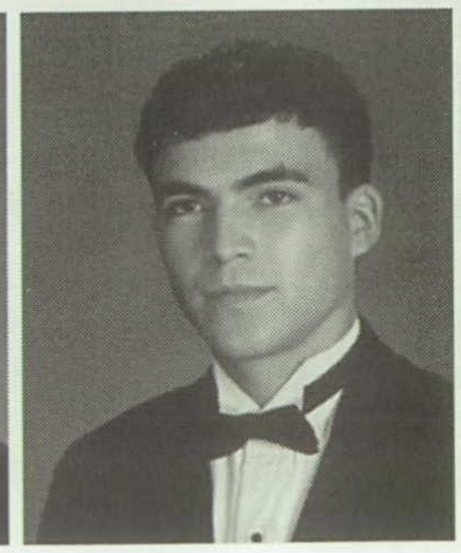
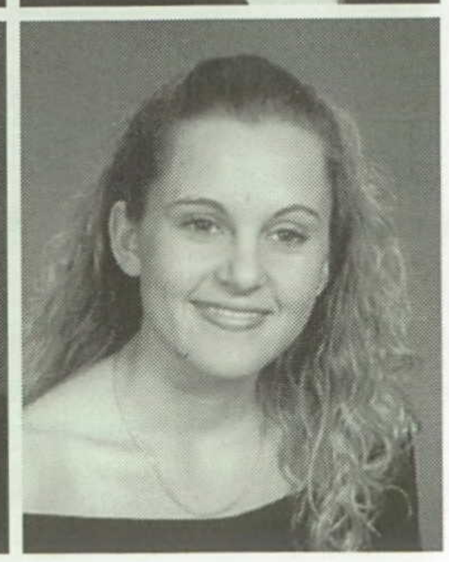


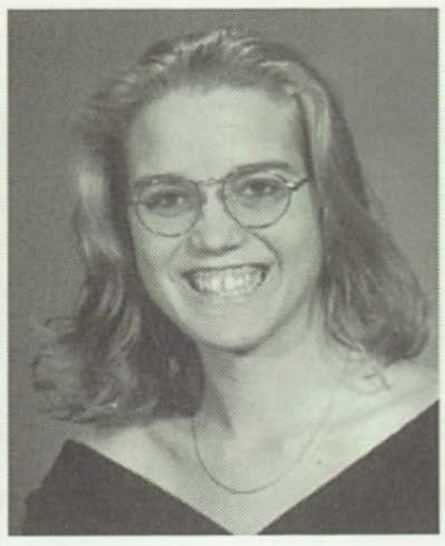
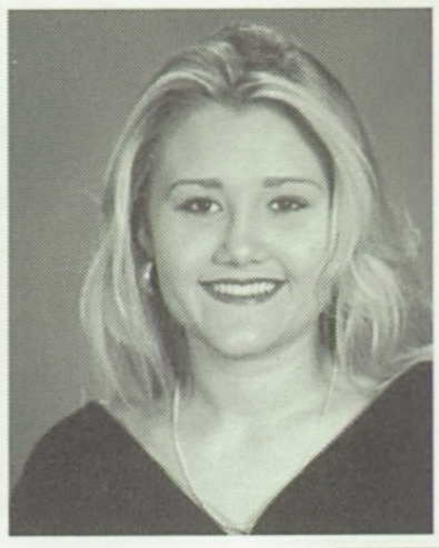
Most Friendly, Justin Reynolds and Heidi Golden. Most Likely to Succeed, Mike Agnello and Karen Pinkerton. Most Involved, Jordan Spradley and Sara White.

Michael Childs
Tanya Clair
Rebecca Clark
Jimmy Combs

Rory Cooper
Ryan Cosser
Jaymz Cotter
Crystal Cross



Maranda Daniel
Rebecca Debrecht
Nicole Dickens
Chasity Elam

Most Athletic, Alfredo Parra and Kim James. Most Spirited, Kevin O'Shields and Amy Casbeer. Most Handsome and Beautiful, Jason Greenfield and Myriah Anderson. Best Dressed, Ryan Cosser and Tasha Bosworth.

"Being senior class president." Sara White

"Being a four year football letterman and achieving a football scholarship." Alfredo Parra

"Going to state in track and achieving a basketball scholarship." Kim James

"Going to state in cross country." Kevin O'Shields

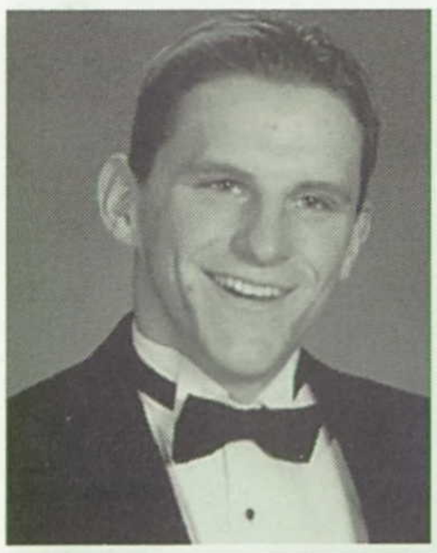
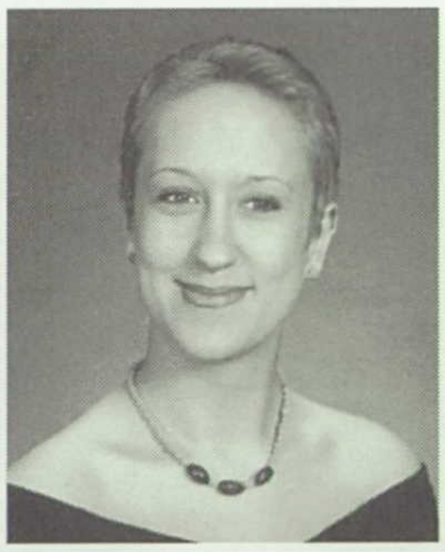
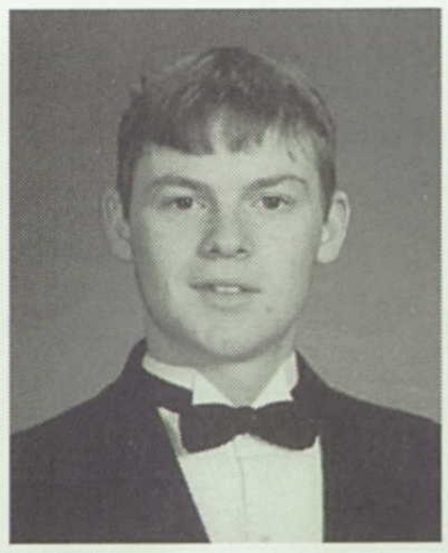
"Being nominated as best dressed." Tasha Bosworth

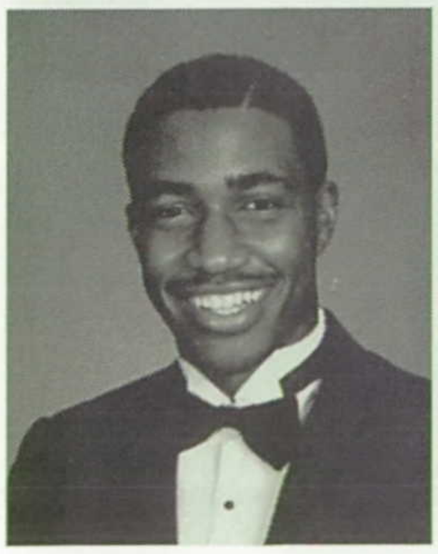
"Achieving perfect attendance K–12 and being yearbook editor." Amy Casbeer

"Being nominated by my peers as a homecoming representative." Jason Greenfield

"Being nominated by my peers as a homecoming princess." Myriah Anderson

"Going to state in cross country and being a homecoming representative." Ryan Cosser



Josh Ely
Chelsei Ezell
Carl Fason
Crystal Fox

Patrick Fuller
Myra Garcia
Brittany Geer
Heidi Golden

Looking BACK

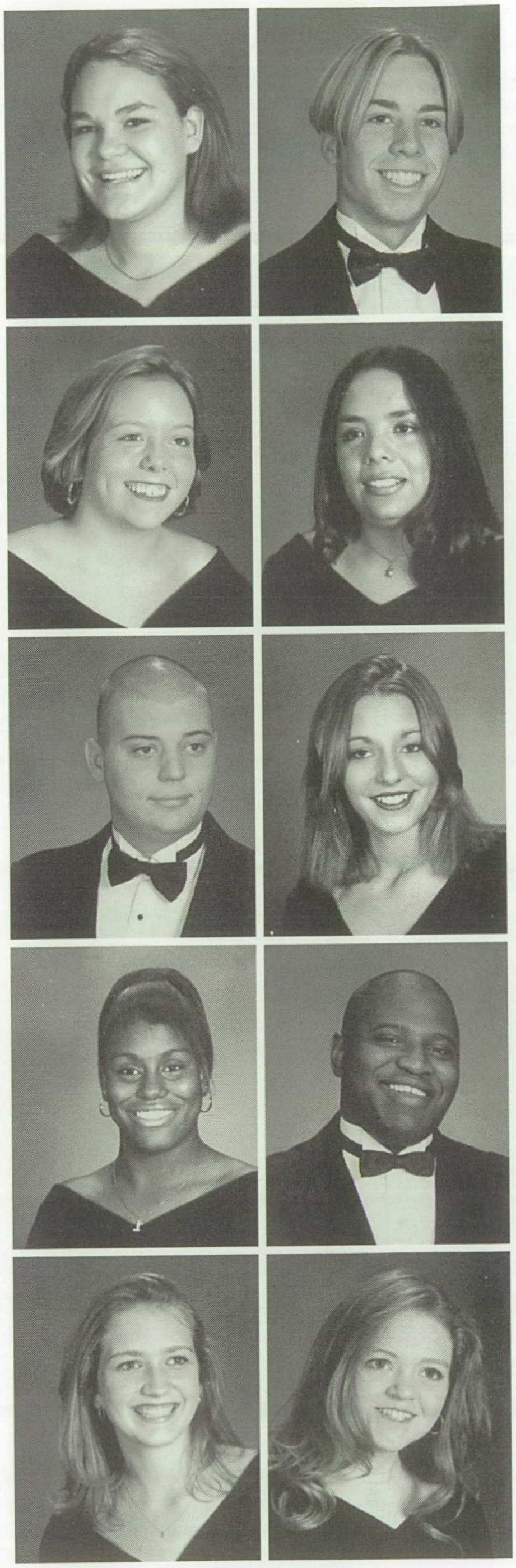
As the days turned into months and the months into years, free minded freshmen blossomed into strong willed seniors. They went from bus passengers to front seat drivers, from getting allowances to earning paychecks, from bed time at ten o'clock to curfew at twelve and from buddies to friends for life.

The class of 1998 endured the trials and tribulations of high school. It was this class who walked hand in hand on the very first day of school, who passed notes in health class, who shared sodas at lunch, who cheered at pep rallies and who once again walked side by side across the stage.

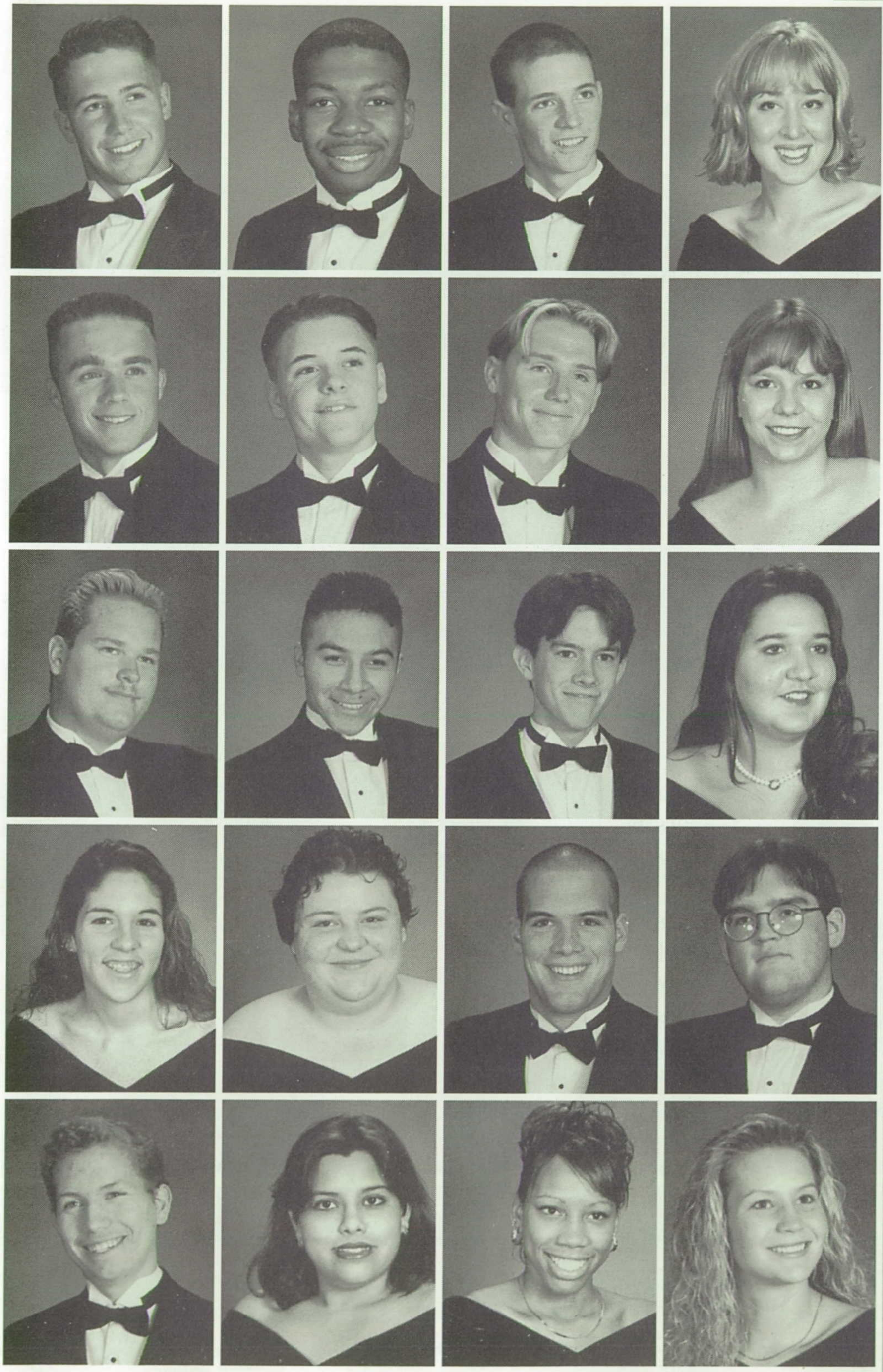
They created new traditions at Kennedale High School. They were the first to win the homecoming hall decorating contest all four years. Their class officers were innovative when it came to fundraisers, paving the way for the talent shows and singing telegrams.

Looking back, they all shared memories of their favorite teachers, their first spirit stick and their last homecoming. Not only did the class of 1998 spend four years in high school learning how to solve algebraic equations and write term papers, but they also learned from one another.

The year came to a close as they prepared to go their separate ways. The class of 1998 vowed that no matter how far apart they were, if they ever wanted a good laugh or a serious cry, all they had to do was reflect upon their time spent at Kennedale High School. by Brandi Knox



Sporting their formal attire, seniors T.W. Wilkerson, Jason Simpson, Nick Cantrell, Brent Hill, Alfredo Parra, Jason Robinson and Dustin McElwrath capture the moment at the junior-senior prom. It was a night to remember for everyone who attended.



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Brock Goodwin
Jason Greenfield
Peter Griffin
Clint Grimsley
Sara Hamilton

Christy Hastings
Lindsay Hernandez
Brent Hill
Jason Hinkelman
Daniel Hommel
Robyn Hopper

James Howard
Latonna Huckaby
Dewain Husmann
Joseph Infante
Stephen Irwin
Mindy Jackson

Kimberly James
Donte Jones
Jenny Jones
Heather King
Adam Kisler
Timothy Layne

Amy Leither
Carroll Liddell
Ronnie Loge
Julie Marin
Amy Mayberry
Miranda Mayse

Academic EXCELLENCE

During their four years at Kennedale High School, the valedictorian and salutatorian of the class of 1998 displayed the leadership qualities that made them role models for everyone. These outstanding students maintained academic excellence while at the same time actively participated in extra-curricular activities.

Valedictorian Karen Pinkerton participated in Drama and Musical Theatre. She was also a member of the tennis team, vice-president of her class and president of National Honor Society. When asked what advice she could give to the underclassmen, she stated, "Live one day at a time and take pride in what you do."

Salutatorian Rebecca Debrecht was a member of the Wildcat band, the journalism staff, student council and also managed to find time to play basketball. She advised others to, "Be involved and make the most of your time in high school, because it goes by fast."

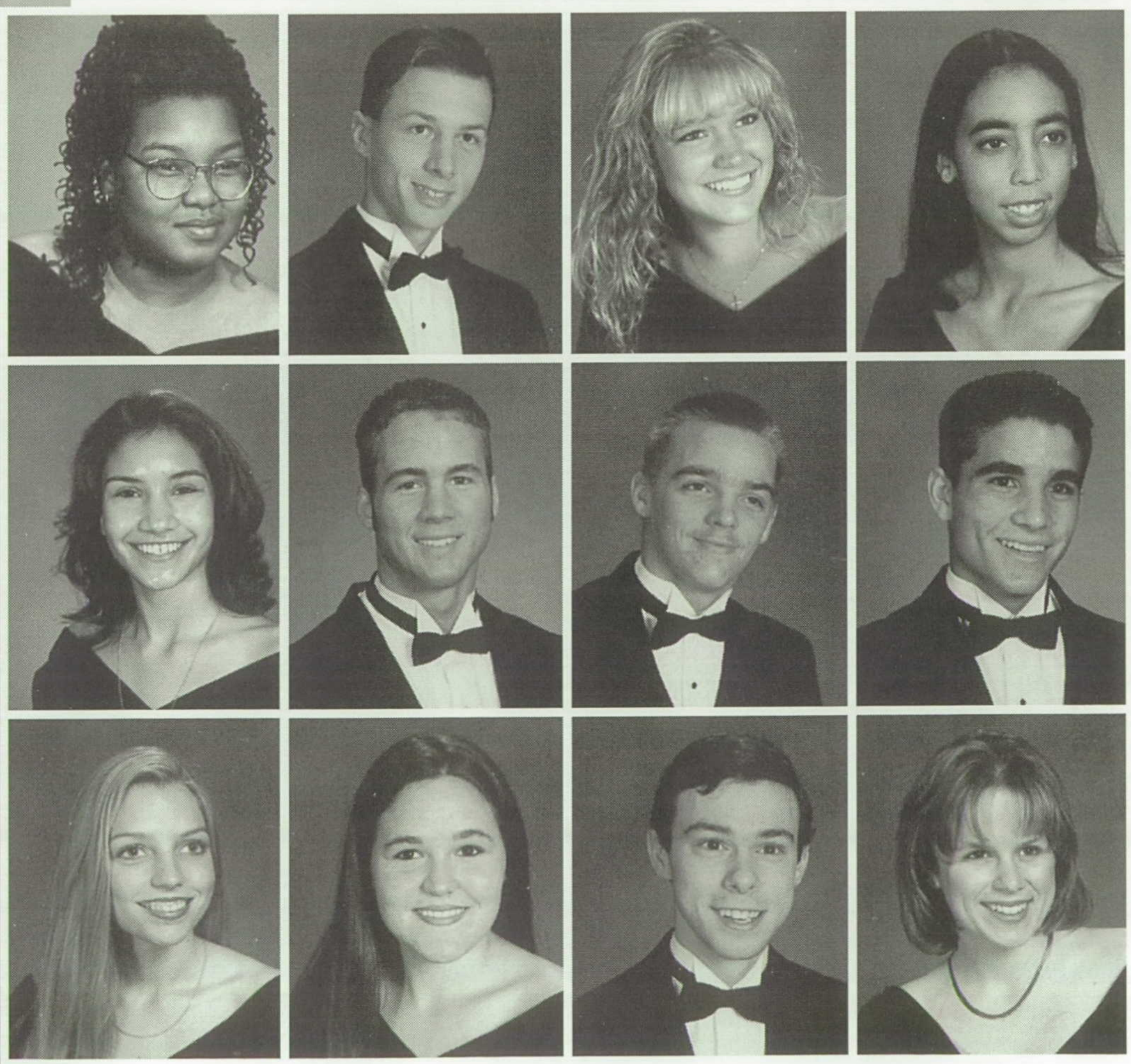
by Brandi Knox

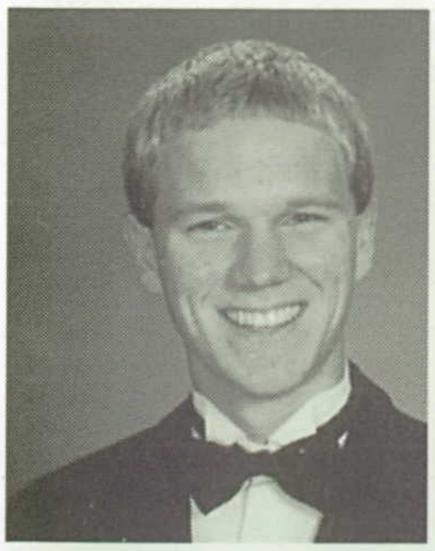
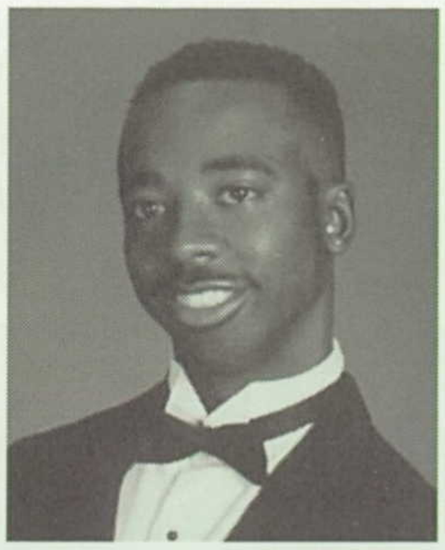
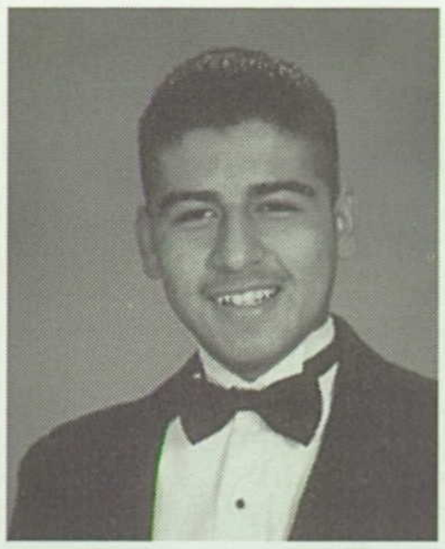
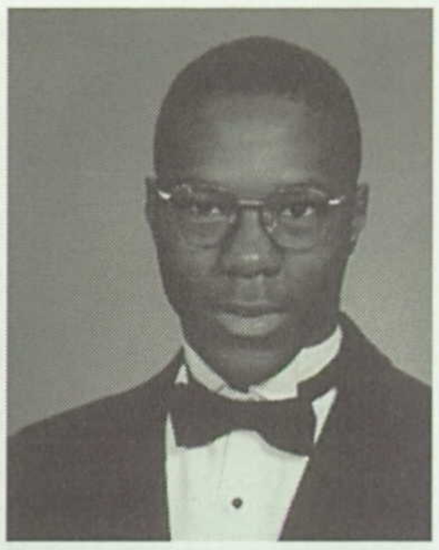
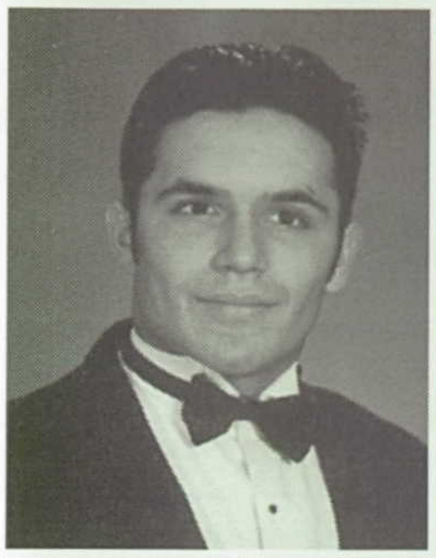
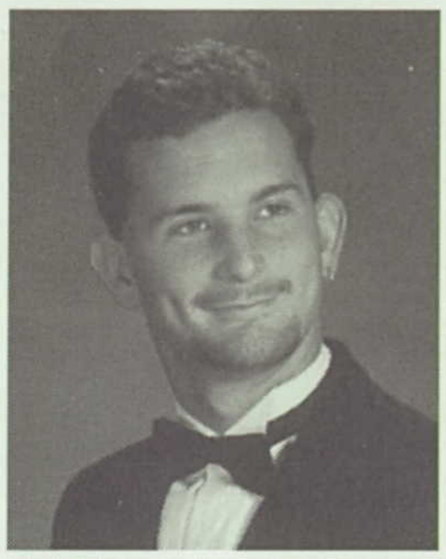
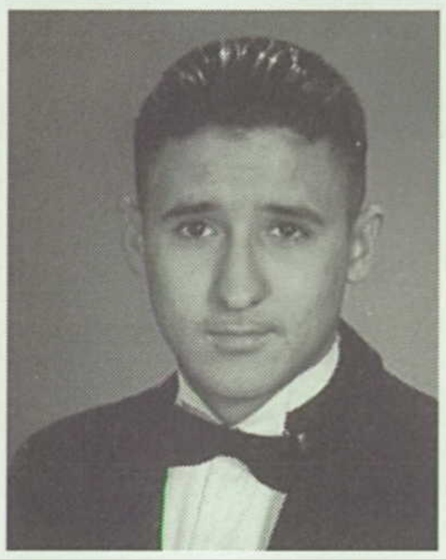
The valedictorian and salutatorian of the senior class were Karen Pinkerton and Rebecca Debrecht. They both worked very hard in their pursuits of academic excellence and the honor was well deserved.

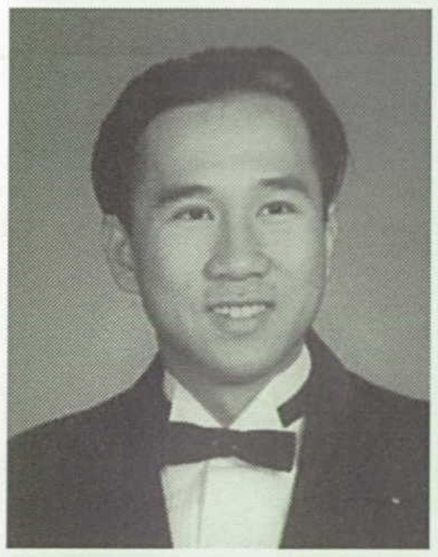
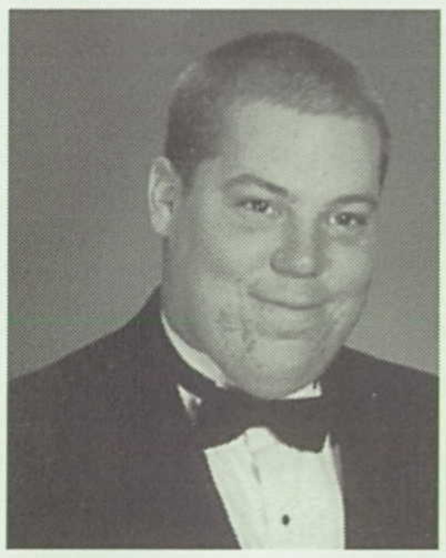
Shametra McCain
Dustin McElwrath
Jeri McMillan
Teresa Melendez

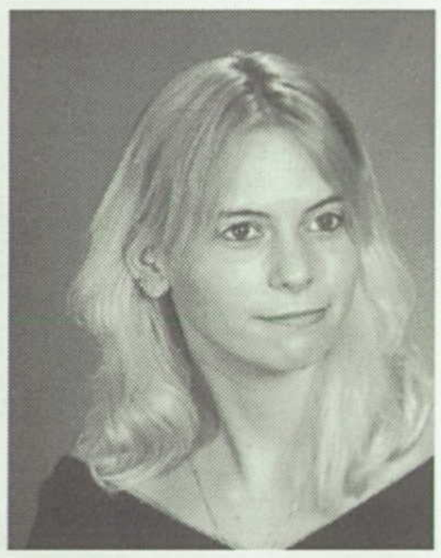
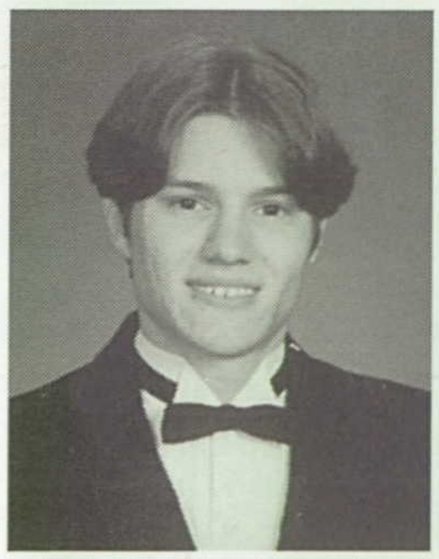
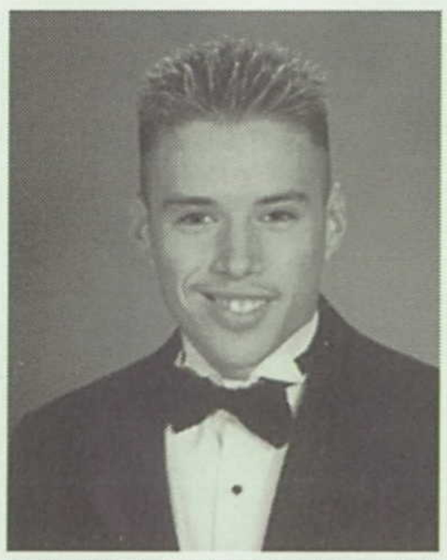
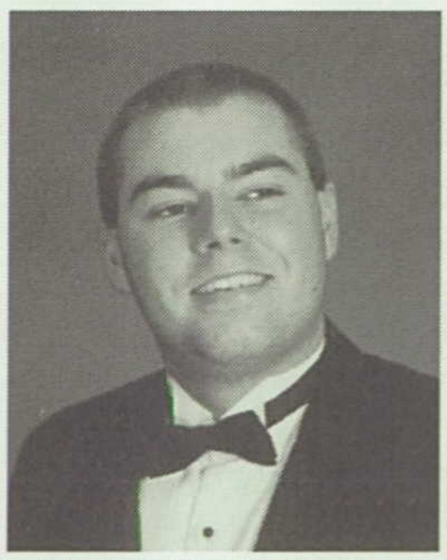
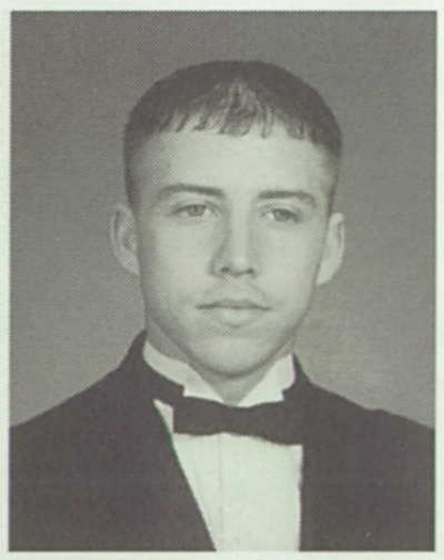
Liza Mendiola
Larry Middleton
James Miller
John Monreal

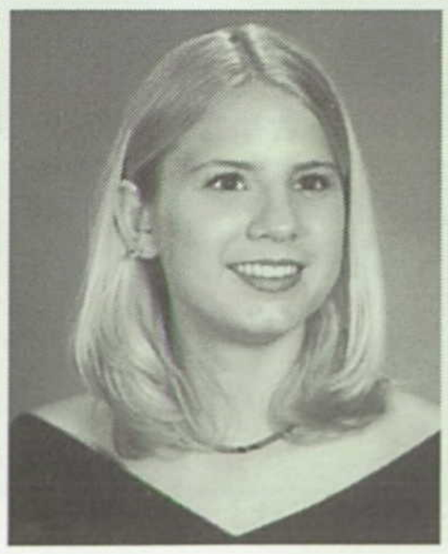
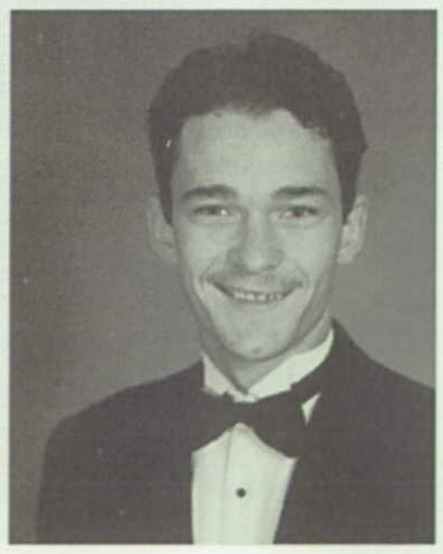
Summer Morris
Shyla Neal
Jason Nelson
Jennifer Nichols



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Laurie Peterson

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Karen Pinkerton
Amber Prince

Brandon
Quesenberry
Oscar Ramirez
Patrick Razack
Jason Redden

Dante Redic
Kenesha Redic
Misti Retzlaff
Justin Reynolds

Kenneth Rhine
Holly Riddle
Brandi Ridley
Michael Rivarola

Alison Robinson
Jason Robinson
Tiffany Rodriguez
Byron Ross

Marilyn Rushing
Veronica Rushing
Christy Salinas
Rachel Salinas

Crystal Sidebottom
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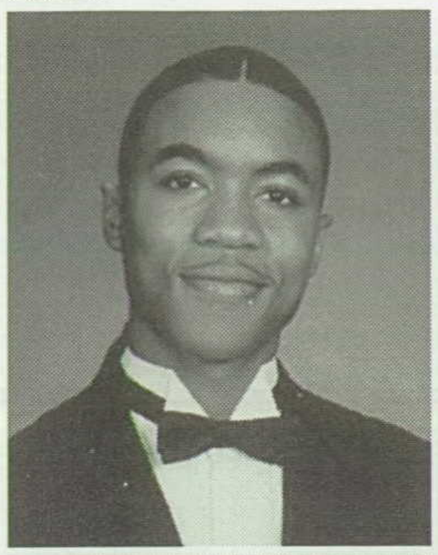
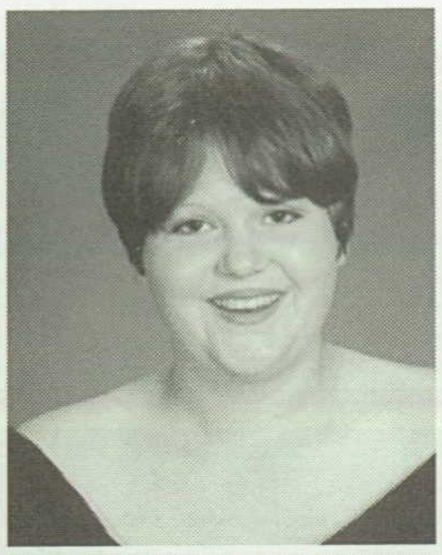
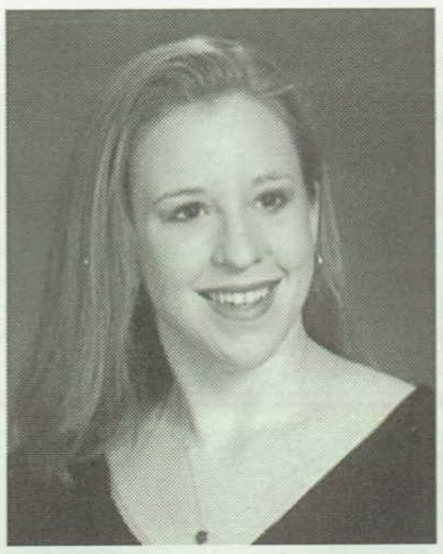
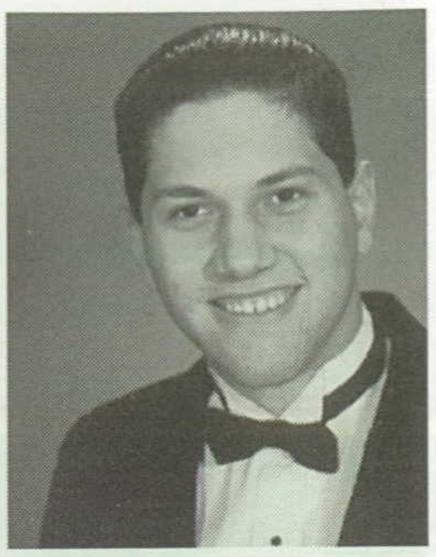
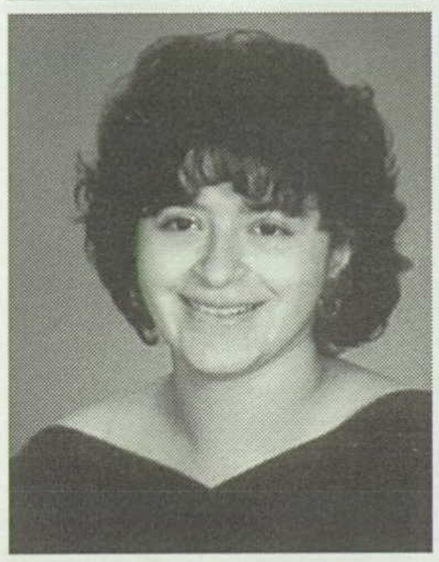
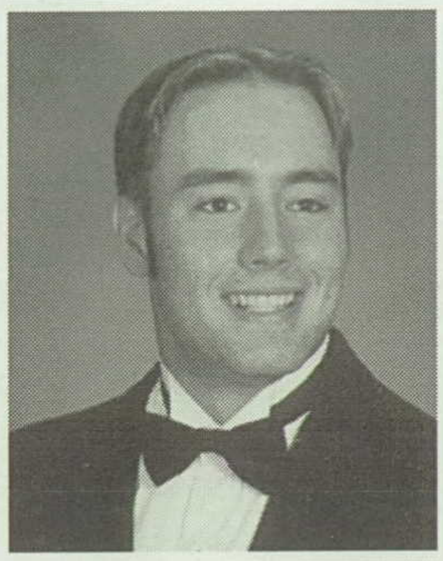

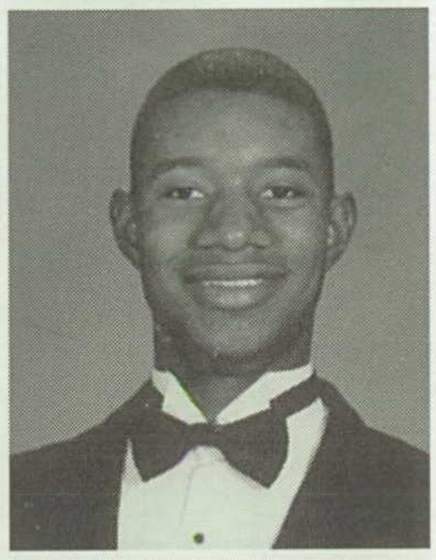
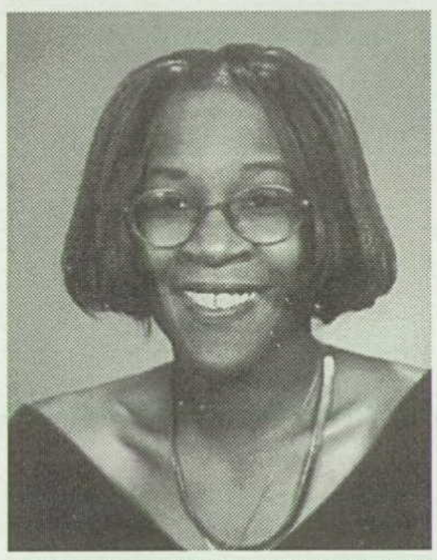
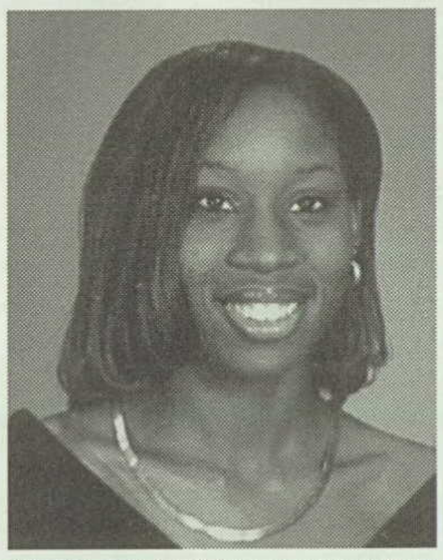
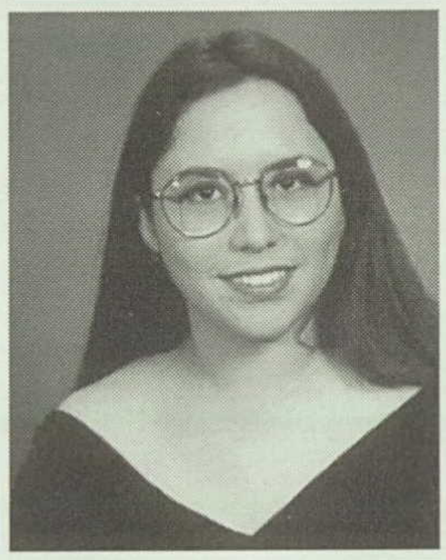

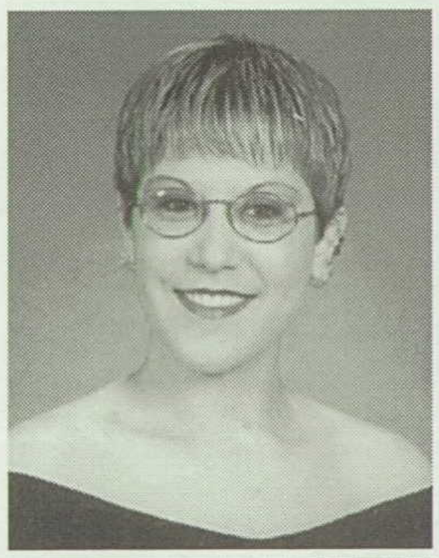
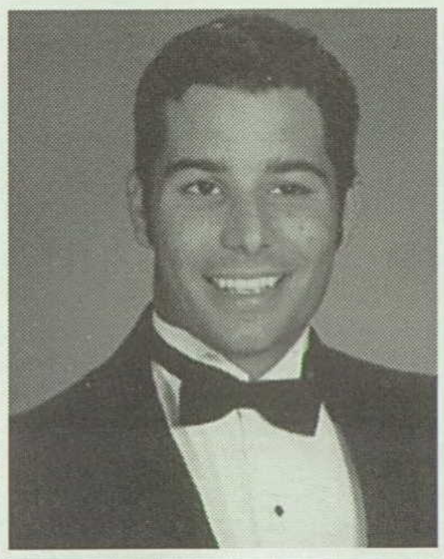
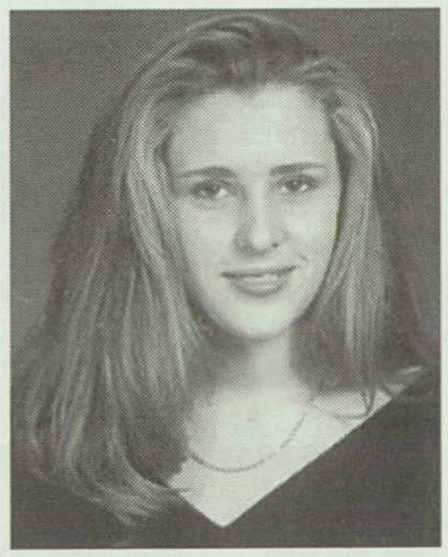

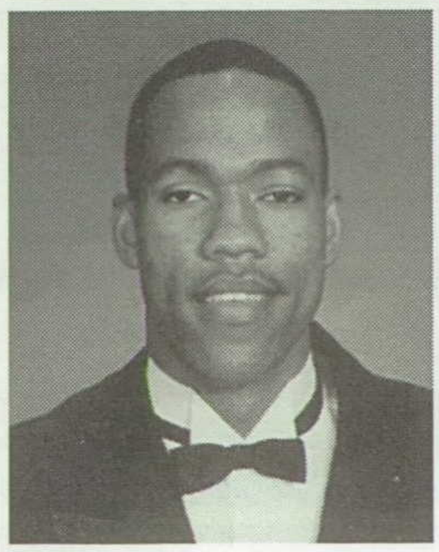
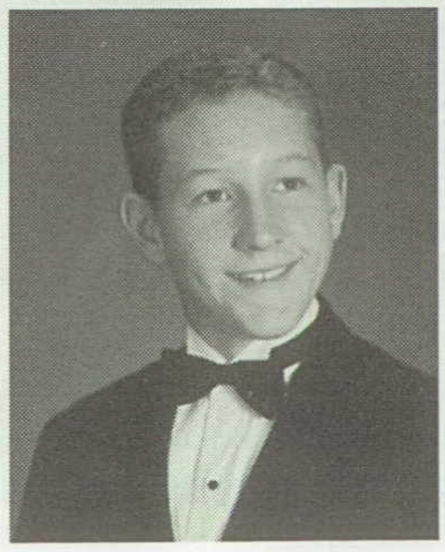
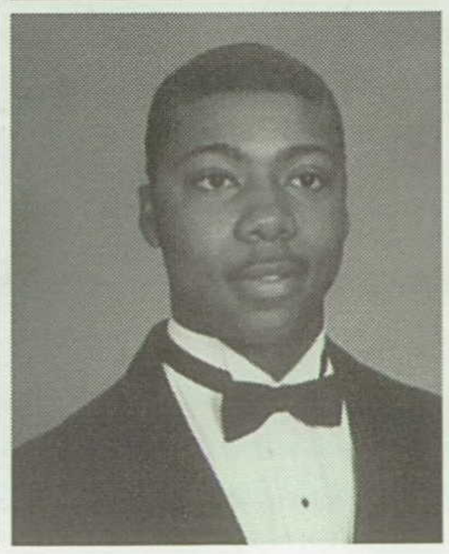
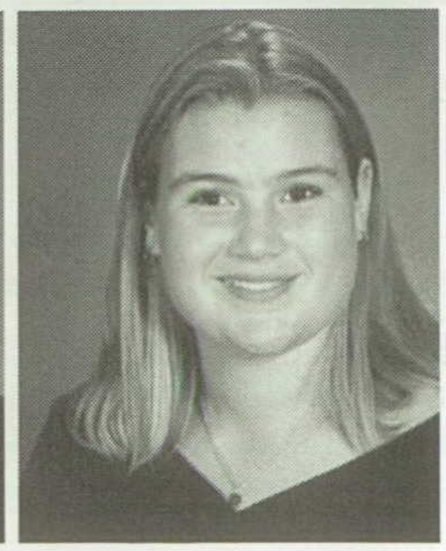

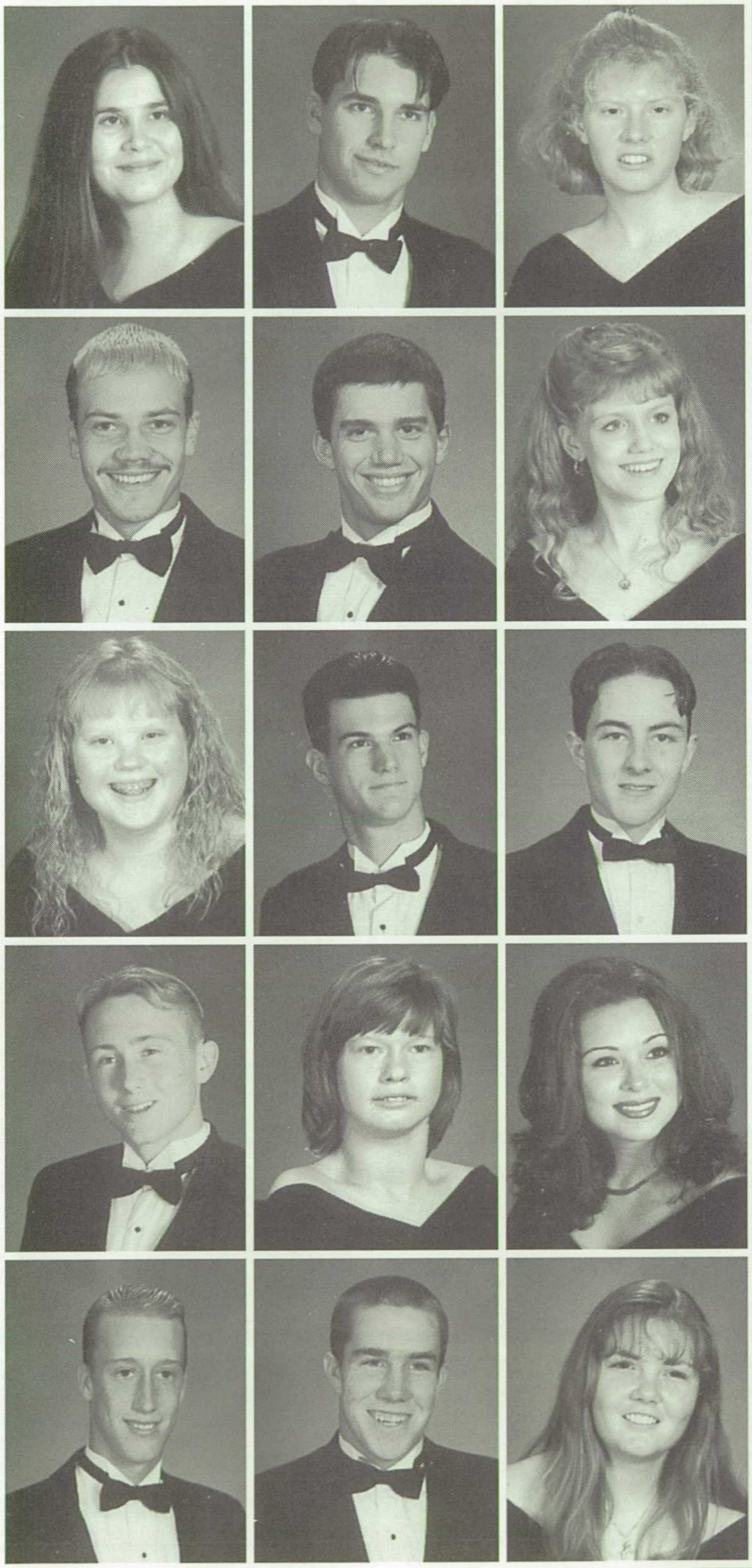

Stephanie Swarm
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Lark Wallis

Keri Walther
Billy Ward
Scott Ward

James Westerfield
Brandy White
Sara White

T.W. Wilkerson
John Wright
Sheila Yates

SENIOR *Accomplishments*

Mike Agnello: Band 1-4, John Phillip Sousa Award 4, State Ensemble 3-4: Jazz Band 1-4; Crime Stoppers 4; TAFE 3; NHS 3-4; UIL Prose 1; Debate 4; PAL 4; French Club 1-4; Tennis 1-4; Who's Who 1-4; Class Favorite 4.

Thomeka Allen: Drama 2; SADD 4; Crime Stoppers 4; Spanish Club 2-3; Track 2; Who's Who 4; Prom Committee 4.

Amanda Amador: Chior 1-4; Drama 3-4; International Club 1-3.

Myriah Anderson: Drama 1; SADD 4; Crime Stoppers 4; Cheerleader 4; Volleyball 1; Basketball 1-3; Class Favorite 4; Track 1-3; Homecoming Rep. 4; Prom Committe 4.

Akua Asare: Choir 1; SADD 3-4, 4 VP; Crime Stoppers 4 Treas.; Student Council 4.

Crystal Bahleda: Band1-4, Sweetheart 4; PAL 3-4; Who's Who 3; National Honor Roll 4.

Chris Baker: Band 1-4; Jazz Band 1-3; Who's Who 2-4.

Jamal Berry: Student Council 2-3; FBLA 3-4, Basketball 1-4; Track 2, Who's Who 2-4.

Nick Cantrell: Football 1-3; Track 1; Soccer 1-3.

Amy Casbeer: FCA 2; NHS 4; Student Council 1-3; Class Officer 4 Treas.; Spanish Club 1-4; Yearbook 3 Photo., 4 Editor-in-Chief; Cheerleader 1-4, 2 Capt., 3 All-American Nominee; Volleyball 1-4; Basketball 1-3; Tennis 3-4; Class Favorite 4; Who's Who 1-2,4; Who's Who in Sports 3-4; National Merit Scholar 1,3-4; Naval Achievement Award 3; All-American Scholar 4; National Honor Roll 4; Prom Committee 4; Perfect Attendance K-12.

Humberto Castro: Football 1; Cross Country 1-3; Track 1.

Mike Childs: Band 2; Drama 1-2; Sound Crew 1-4.

Tanya Clair: Choir 1; Track 1-2; FFA 2-3.

Rebecca Clark: Drama 1-3; Yearbook 2-3; Cheerleader 1; Volleyball 1.

Jimmy Combs: Football 1-2; Golf 4; Who's Who 1-3.

Rory Cooper: VICA 3.

Ryan Cosser: NHS 3-4; Student Council 1; Yearbook 3; Football 1-2; Cross Country 1-4; Basketball 1-4; Baseball 1-4; Class Favorite 4; Mr. KHS 4; Who's Who 1-4; Homecoming Rep. 4; Prom King 4; National Merit Scholar 1-4.

Jaymz Cotter: VICA Pres. 4; MOCT 4 Pres.; Football 1-2; Tennis 3-4; Who's Who 2; Who's Who in Sports 4.

Crystal Cross: Drill Team 1-2; Softball 1-3; Who's Who 4; Prom Committee 4; Football Mgr. 4.

Rebecca Debrecht: Band 1-3; NHS 3-4; Student Council 3-4, 4 Sec.; French Club 1-2; Journalism 2-4; Who's Who 1-4; Football Mgr. 4; Salutatorian 4.

Nicole Dickens: Drama 1-4; UIL OAP 2-3; NHS 2-4; Volleyball 1-2; Basketball 1-2; Track 1-2; Who's Who 3-4; National Merit Scholar 3.

Crystal Fox: Choir 1-2; Pizzazz 2; SADD 1-2; French Club 1; Who's Who 1-2.

Heidi Golden: Musical Theatre 2; FCA 1-3; NHS 2-4; Student Council 1-3, 4 Pres.; PAL 4; FBLA 1; Spanish Club 1-2; Journalism 2-4; Cheerleader 1-4; Volleyball 1-4; Basketball 1-3; Track 1-2,4; Who's Who 1-4; Homecoming Rep.1-3, 4 Queen; Prom Queen 4; Class Favorite 3-4; Prom Committee 4; National Merit Scholar 1-4.

Linda Goldner: Drama 1; French Club 1-3; Who's Who 1-2.

Jason Greenfield: Drama 1; Football 2-4; Baseball 2,4; Class Favorite 4; Who's Who 1; Homecoming Rep. 2,4.

Peter Griffin: Crime Stoppers 4; Student Council 2-4; FBLA 3-4; Spanish Club 3-4; Basketball 2-4; Track 2-4; Who's Who 2-4.

Sara Hamilton: Choir 1-4; Drama 1-3; Musical Theatre 3; Thespian 4; UIL OAP 2-3; FCA 3; SADD 4 Treas.; NHS 3-4, 4 VP; Student Council 1; Class Officer 3-4 Sec.; PAL 4; FBLA 2-3; Spanish Club 2; Tennis 1-4; Who's Who 1-4; All American Scholar 3; National Hist. & Gov. Scholar 4; National English Merit Scholar 3-4.

Christy Hastings: Choir 1-2; SADD 1-2; Who's Who 3.

Lindsay Hernandez: Band 1-4; Drama 1; SMART 2; FCA 3; TAFE 2; FBLA 4; French Club 2, 3-4 VP; Who's Who 1-4; National Merit Scholar 4.

Jason Hinkelman: Band 1-3; Jazz Band 1-3; Football 1; Baketball 1; Who's Who 1-4.

Daniel Hommel: NHS 3-4; Student Council 2; VICA 4; Spanish Club 2-3; Football 1-4, 4 Capt.; Basketball 1-2; Baseball 1-4; Who's Who 2-4; National Merit Scholar 3.

Robyn Hopper: Choir 1-3; Who's Who 2-3.

Stephen Irwin: Choir 1.

Mindy Jackson: Drama 1-4; Musical Theatre 2-4; Thespian 4; UIL OAP 2-4; FCA 3; TAFE 4; NHS 3-4; Student Council 4; PAL 3-4; Spanish Club 1-2; Drill Team 3; Who's Who 1-4; Prom Committee 4; Naval Acheivement Award 2-4.

Kim James: Drama 1; FCA 1-2; Crime Stoppers 4; Spanish Club 2; Volleyball 1-2; Basketball 1-4; Softball 1-4; Track 1-3; Class Favorite 4.

Jenny Jones: French Club 1-2; Yearbook 4; Volleyball 1-2; Tennis 3-4; Who's Who 3; Who's Who in Sports 4.

Amy Leither: NHS 3-4; Student Council 3-4; FHA 1; Spanish Club 1-2; Drill Team 1-2 Major, 3-4 Lt.; Who's Who 2-3; Prom Committee 4; National Merit Scholar 3; National English Merit Award 3; All-American Scholar 3; National Honor Roll 3.

Ronnie Loge: Drama 2-3; SADD 1, 3-4.

Julie Marin: Drama 1-4; Musical Theatre 4; Thespian 4; UIL OAP 2; SMART 3 Sec., 4 Pres.

Miranda Mayse: FCA 1-3; NHS 3-4; Volleyball 1-2; Basketball 1-4; Softball 1-4, MVP 1-3; Track 1; Who's Who in Sports 3-4; Scholar Athlete Award 4.

Shametra McCain: Choir 1; 1st Priority 4; SADD 2,4; Crime Stoppers 4; FHA 1-3; Spanish Club 2; French Club 2.

Teresa Melendez: Choir 1,3-4; 1st Priority 4; Drill Team 3-4.

Liza Mendiola: Drama 2; Student Council 4; Spanish Club 3; Volleyball 1; Basketball 1-2; Track 1-2.

Shayne Middleton: FCA 3; Archery 1-4; Football 3-4; Track 4.

Summer Morris: Drama 2; UIL 4; FCA 1-3; TAFE 1-2; NHS 3-4; Student Council 2, VP 3-4; FHA 2-4; Spanish Club 2-3; Journalism 2-4; Cheerleader 1-3, 4 Capt.; Baseball Stats. 1-4; Track Mgr. 2-3; Class Favorite 2; Ms. KHS 4; Prom Committee 4; National Merit Scholar 2-4.

Shyla Neal: Cross Country 2-3; Basketball 1; Track 1-2.

Jason Nelson: Choir 1-4; Drama 3; Pizzazz 1; 1st Priority 4; SADD 4; Crime Stoppers 1-3; VICA 3; MOCT 3.

Jennifer Nichols: Drama 2-4; VICA

4 VP; Spanish Club 1-2; Yearbook 3; MOCT 4; Volleyball 2; Softball 2.

Kevin O'Shields: Thespian 3-4 Pres.; UIL OAP 2-4; FCA 1-3; NHS 3-4; Class Officer 2-3 Treas.; PAL 3-4; Journalism 2; Cross Country 1-4; Track 1-2,4; Who's Who 1-4; Class Favorite 4; Outstanding Student 1-3; Prom Committee 4.

Kenton Owens: Crime Stoppers 4; Football 3; Basketball 2-4; Track 1-3; Who's Who 1-4.

Keldrick Palmer: Crime Stoppers 4; Football 1-4; Basketball 2; Track 1-3; Who's Who in Sports 1-2.

Alfredo Parra: Band 1-2; Jazz Band 2; Choir 1; FCA 1-2; Crime Stoppers 4; NHS 4; Student Council 1-4; PAL 3; FBLA 4; Yearbook 3; Football 1-4; Track 1-4; Who's Who 1-4; Homecoming Rep. 2-3, 4 King; Class Favorite 4.

William Patton: Crime Stoppers 4; FBLA 1; VICA 2-4; MOCT 4; Football 1; Track 1.

Laurie Peterson: SADD 3-4; Crime Stoppers 4; FHA 2.

Tony Phan: UIL 1-3; NHS 3-4; Who's Who 2-4; National Merit Scholar 3.

Corey Phillips: Football 1-4; Baseball 1-4.

Karen Pinkerton: Drama 1-3; Musical Theatre 3-4; Thespian 4; UIL OAP 2-4; FCA 1-4; SADD 1-3; NHS 3, 4 Pres.; Student Council 1-2; Class Officer 2-4 VP; Bausch & Lomb Science Award 3; PAL 3-4; FBLA 1-3; FHA 1; Yearbook 2; Volleyball 1; Track 1; Tennis 1-2,4; Class Favorite 4; Who's Who 1-4; Prom Committee 4; Valedictorian 4.

Brandon Quesenberry: Band 1; Track 1-2.

Kenesha Redic: Choir 1; Crime Stoppers 4; Basketball 1; Track 1; Prom Committe 4.

Justin Reynolds: Band 1-4; Basketball 3-4; Class Favorite 4.

Kenneth Rhine: Basketball 1-2.

Holly Riddle: Choir 1-4; Drama 1-4; Musical Theatre 1, 3-4; Thespian 3-4 VP ; UIL OAP 2-4; 1st Priority 4; FHA 3; National Merit Scholar 3.

Brandi Ridley: Student Council 1; Cheerleader 3; Volleyball 1; Basketball 1-2; Track 1.

Alison Robinson: Drama 2; Journalism 1; Who's Who 4.

Jason Robinson: FCA 1-4; Football 1-4; Basketball 1-2; Baseball 1-4; Who's Who 1-4.

Tiffany Rodriguez: Drama 2-4; UIL 1,3; FHA 4; French Club 2,4; Who's Who 3,4.

Byron Ross: Crime Stoppers 4; Basketball 1, 3-4; Track 1.

Marilyn Rushing: SADD 4; Crime Stoppers 3-4; FBLA 4 Sec. ; French Club 1-2; Volleyball 1-2; Basketball 1-2; Track 1-2; Who's Who 3-4; Prom Committee 4.

Veronica Rushing: SADD 4; Crime Stoppers 4; Student Council 1; FBLA 4; Basketball 1-2; Track 1-2; Who's Who 1-2; Prom Committee 4.

Christy Salinas: SMART 2-3, 4 VP; VICA 4; Spanish Club 2.

Jason Simpson: Spanish Club 2-4; Football 1-4; Track 1-2.

Amanda Sisk: PAL 3; Spanish Club 1; MOCT 4.

Jennifer Smith: Spanish Club 1.

Nigel Smith: Band 1; Choir 1; Student Council 1; PAL 3-4; VICA 2; Football 1; Basketball 1-4, Player of the Year for TABC 3A, District 11- 3A, Ft. Worth Star Telegram, Arlington Star Telegram & Arlington Morning News 4; Who's Who 2-4.

Jennifer Statum: FCA 1-3; NHS 4; Student Council 3-4; FHA 1; Spanish Club 2; Volleyball 1-2; Basketball 1-2; Softball 1-2; Track 1-2; Golf MVP 3-4; Who's Who 3-4; Prom Committee 4.

Samantha Thrasher: Choir 1-3; SADD 1,3-4; FHA 1,3-4; Who's Who 3-4.

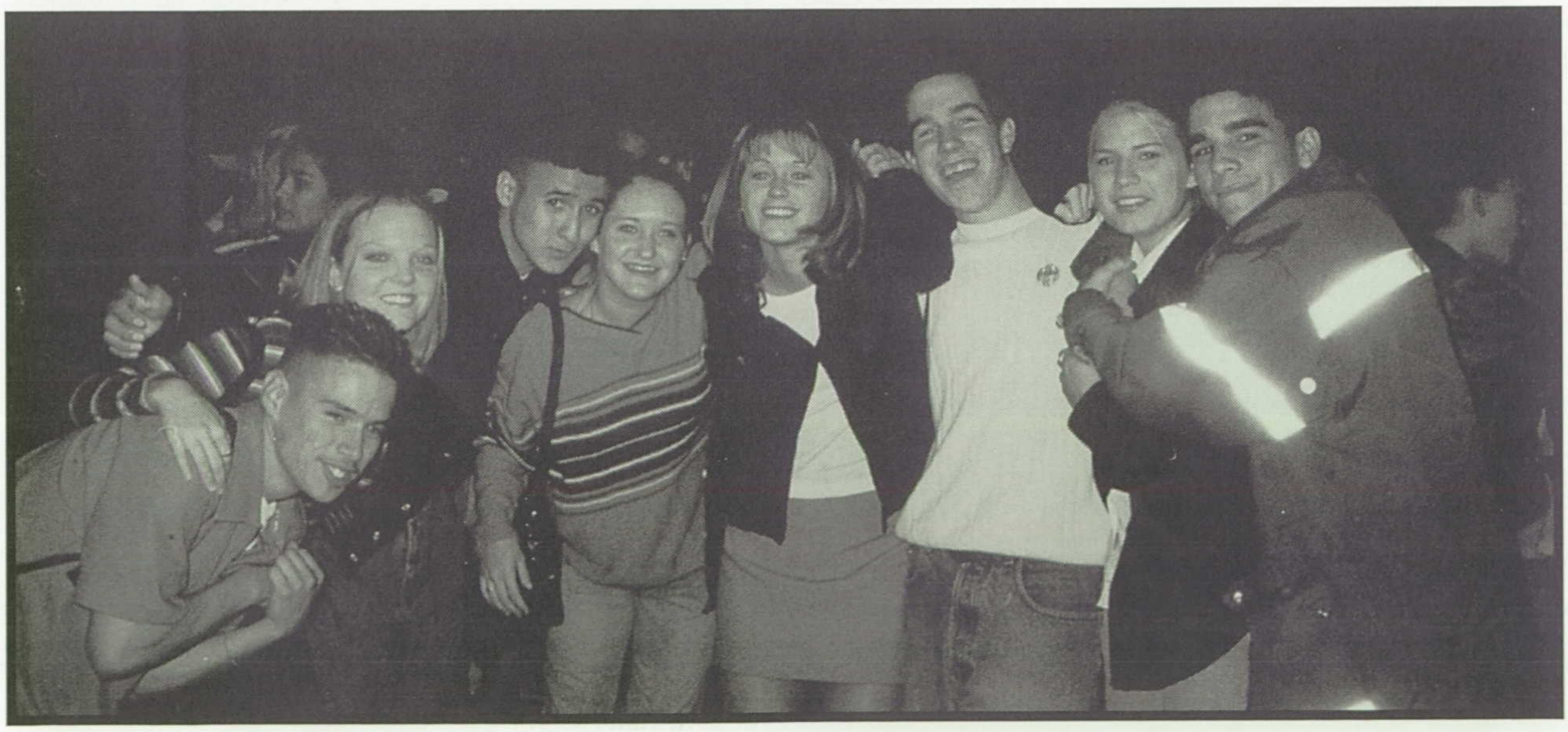
Brandon Wall: Choir 3-4; Drama 3-4; Thespian 4; Pizzazz 3-4; UIL OAP 3-4; Football 4.

Lark Wallis: Choir 1, 2-4 Sec.; Drama 1-4; Musical Theatre 2,4; Thespian 3-4; Pizzazz 1-4; TAFE 4 Sec.; NHS 3; Student Council 1-2,4; Class Officer 2 Sec.; Drill Team 2, 3-4 Capt.; Who's Who 1-4; Outstanding Student 1-3; All American Scholar 1-4; UIL OAP 3-4.

Billy Ward: Football 1; Basketball 1-4; Baseball 1; Who's Who 3-4.

T.W. Wilkerson: VICA 4; French Club 2-3; MOCT 4; Football 4.

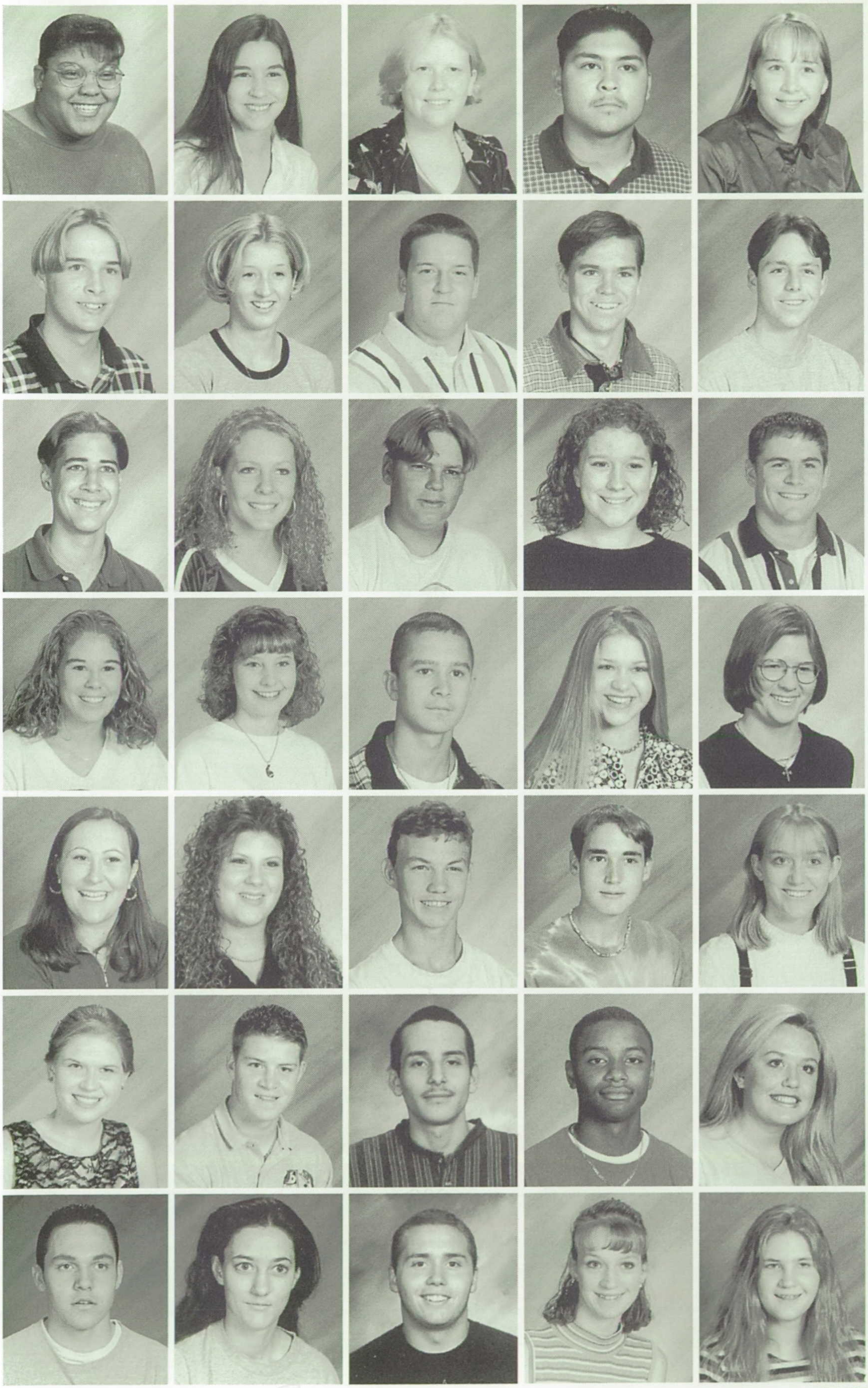
Sara White: FCA 1-3; SADD 2, 3 VP, 4 Pres.; NHS 3, 4 Tres.; Student Council 1-3; Class Officer 2-4 Pres.; UIL 2-4; FBLA 2-3; French Club 1-3; Yearbook 2-3; Tennis 1-4; Who's Who 1-4; Class Favorite 4; All-American Scholar 2-4; National Honor Roll 2-4; Prom Committee 4.



LOOKING AHEAD
THE JUNIORS

Finally they were upperclassmen and able to enjoy the benefits that came with it. The junior class was full of energy, creativity and dedication, enhancing the spirit of the entire student body. They made the most of the school year, leaving a big impression with their fiercely competitive attitudes. As the year progressed, the juniors proved that they were more than ready to take reign as the senior class of 1999.

Juniors Dustin Duncan and Kareah Asebedo were nominated by their class to represent them as Class Favorites.



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Isaac Baldonado
Keri Baldwin

Terry Baldwin
Kristy Batchelor
Jacob Bayer
Chris Bednar
Mark Bennett

Corey Biggs
Misti Biondi
Luke Bogacki
Amanda Bowen
Jason Brown

Ashley Bullard
Shannon Cearley
Michael Chavez
Tara Christensen
Lindsay Compton

Amy Conner
Amber Crawford
Chris Crutchfield
Casey Curry
Kelly Dickens

Andrea Douty
Dustin Duncan
Marty Eakin
Paskell Elliott
Elissa Esco

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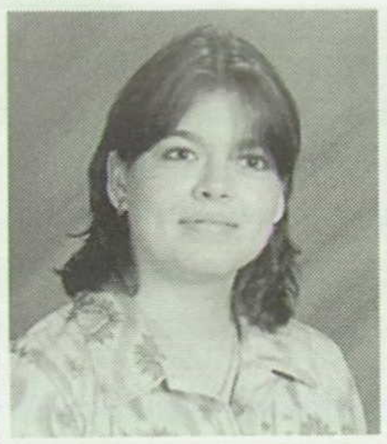
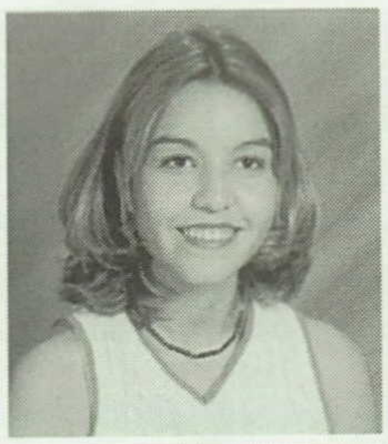

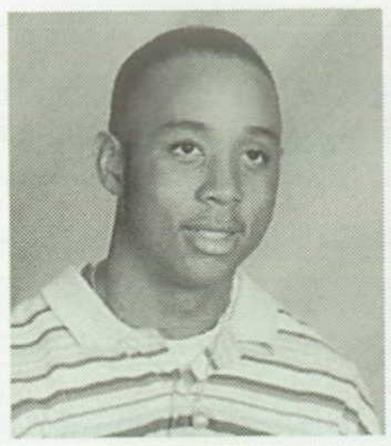
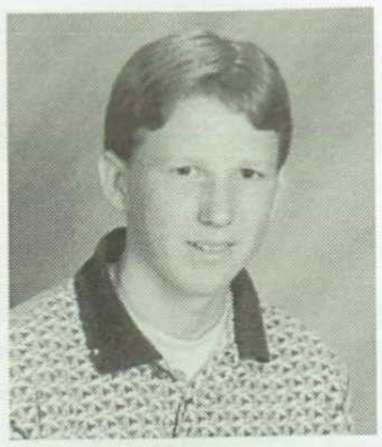

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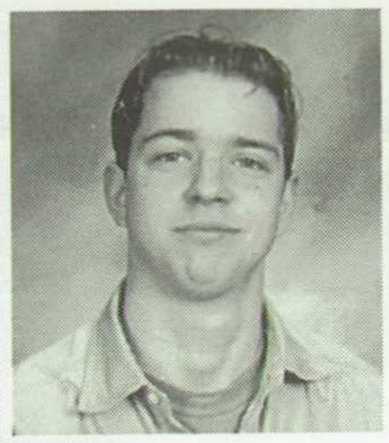
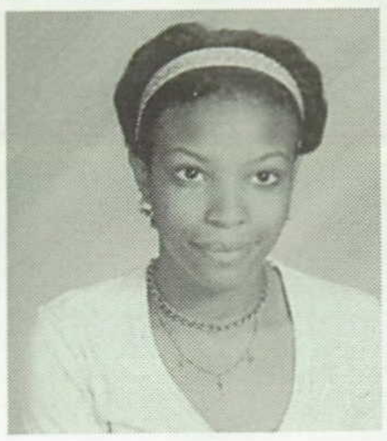
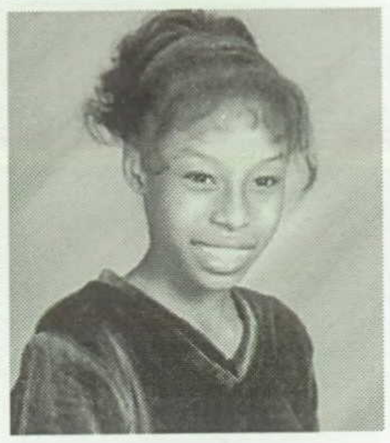
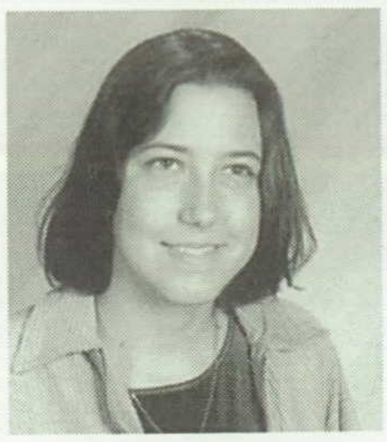
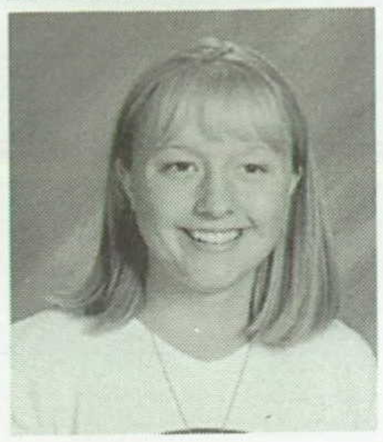

BECOMING SELF reliant

Juniors balanced work and school while gaining a sense of independence.

Junior Brandi Knox is a checker at the Kennedale Minyard grocery store. She has been an employee there for over two years. "Working and maintaining my grades has been difficult at times, but when I receive my pay checks it all seems worthwhile," she stated.

Juniors Jodie Reagan and Tara Christensen are hostesses at Bennigans, a restaurant in Arlington. They enjoyed the socialization that accompanied a job such as this.

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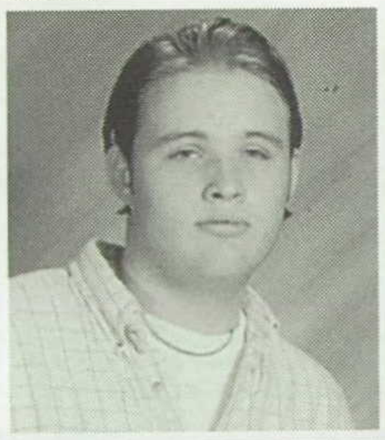
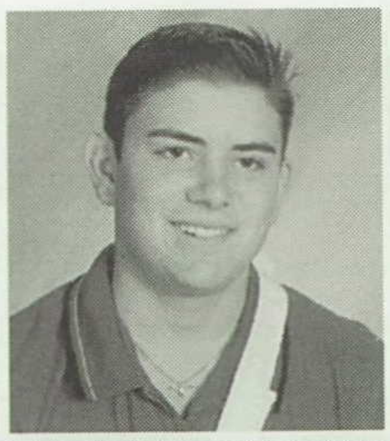
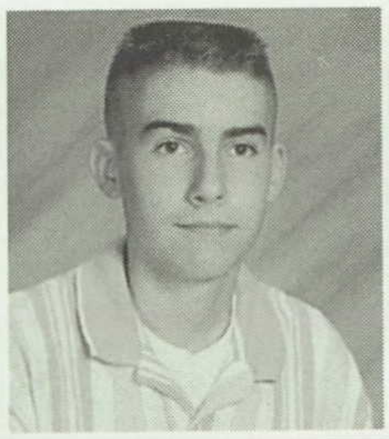
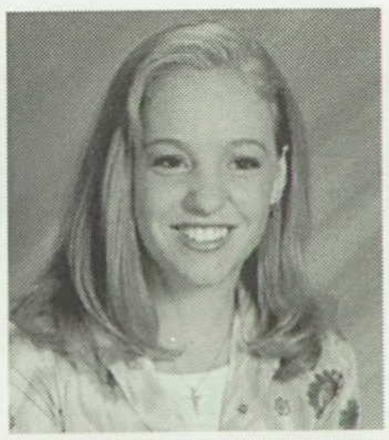
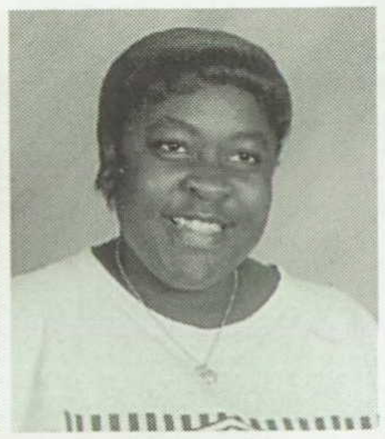

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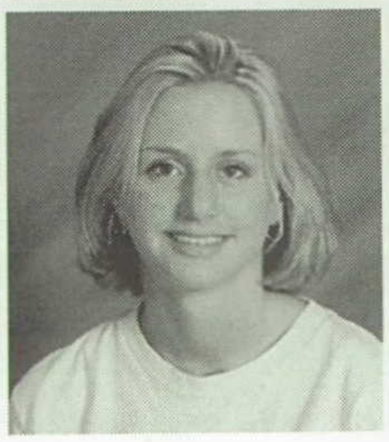
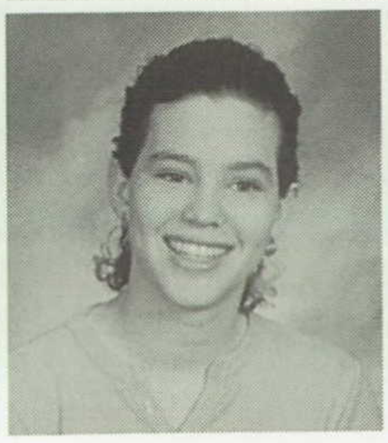
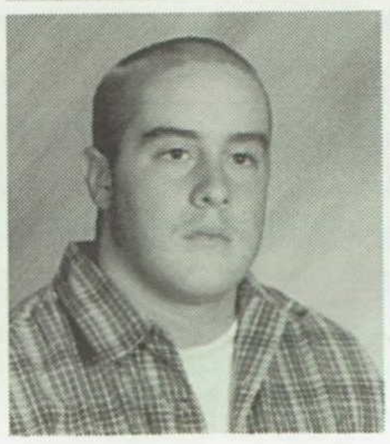
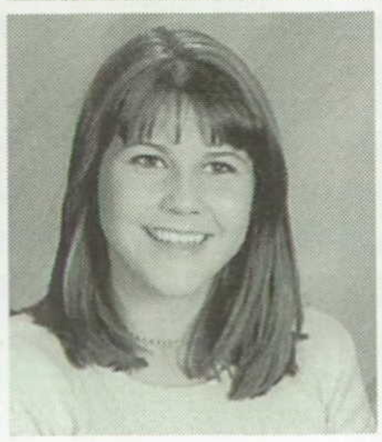
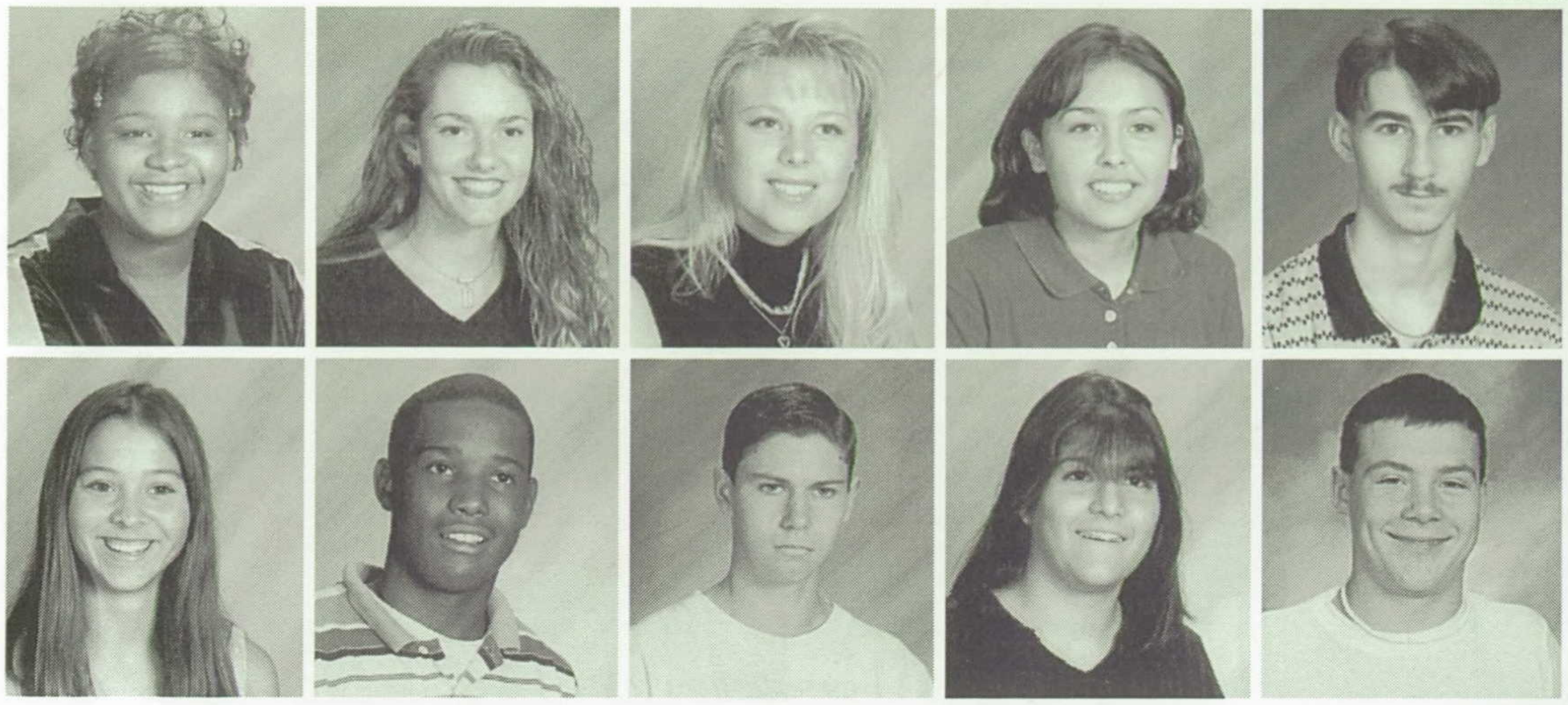







Brandi Knox
Loree Kovach
Amy Latimer
Veronica Ledesma
Jonathan Ledet

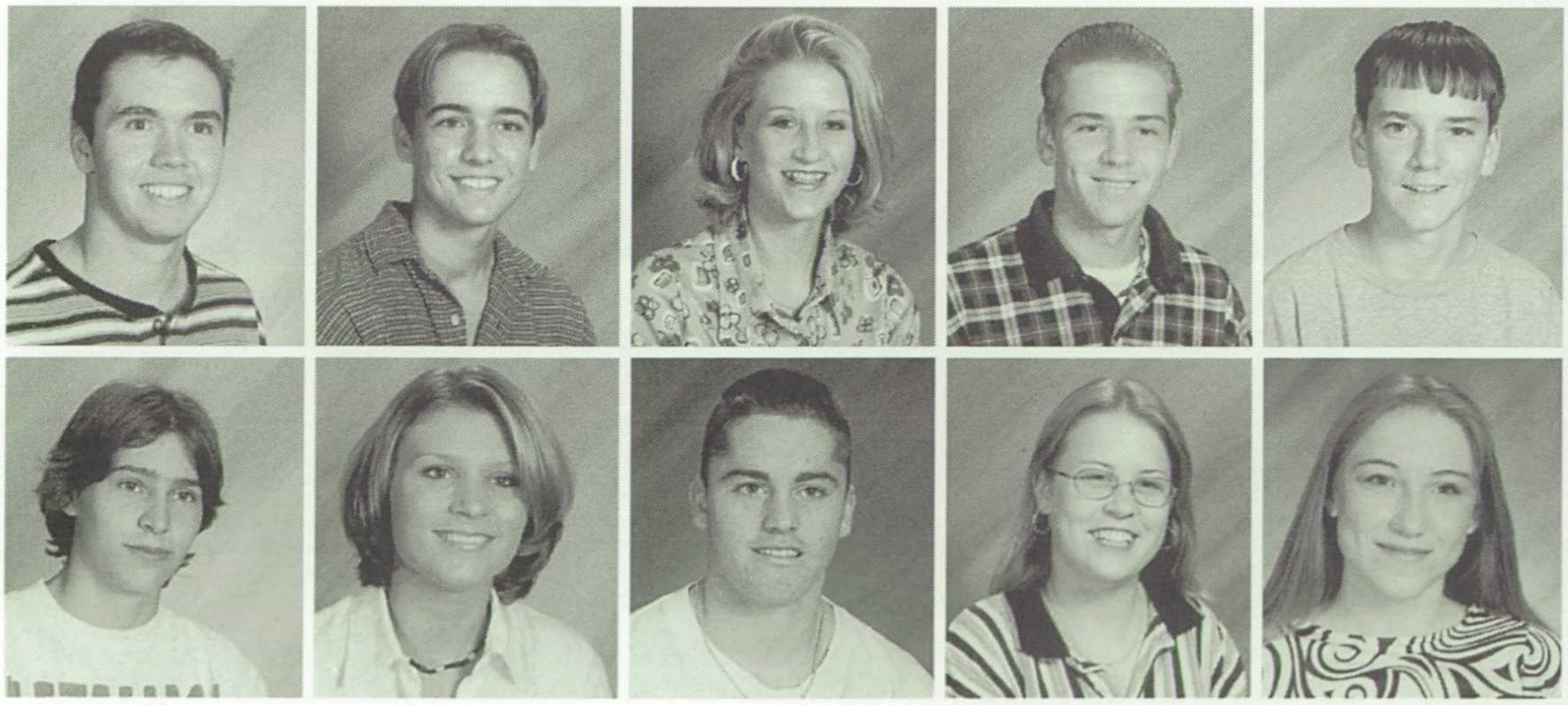
Brandi Little
Milton Marcus
Allen Martin
Susan Massey
Chris Mays

As the bell rang for dismissal at ten after three every day, students eagerly lined up outside to get on the bus. Others flocked to the Coke machines to purchase drinks and wait leisurely for their ride to pick them up.

At the same time, however, the juniors were stampeding to their cars in the school parking lot and rushing home to change clothes. They were soon out the door and on the way to work, hoping to make it on time.

Many students relied upon employment to help them with the extra expenses that came with being more independent and self reliant. Finding a balance between work and school may have been trying, but their hard work paid off when it came time to pay their monthly car payments, or when they needed extra money for clothes or lunch. ''All of my pay checks are spoken for when it comes to paying off my car and clothes,'' said junior Brandi Knox. Their jobs varied from hostesses at local restaurants to checkers at area grocery stores.

Whether they took orders or delivered them, they gained a sense of responsibility and independence. ''Having a job could add more stress to your life, but actually it gave me a place to build new friendships,'' stated junior Jodie Reagan.



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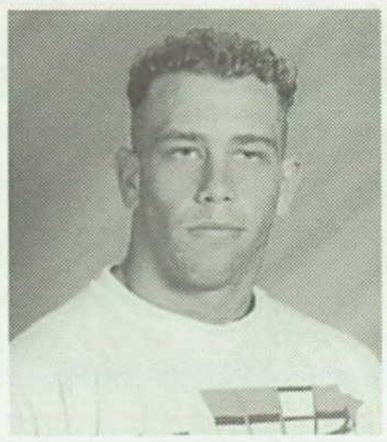
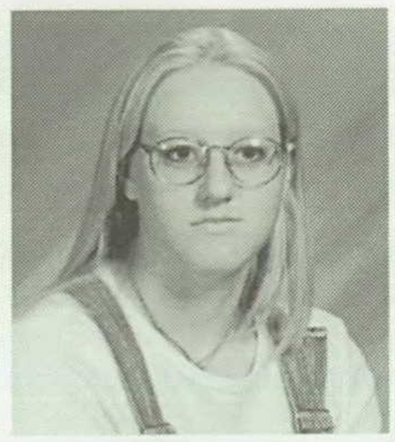
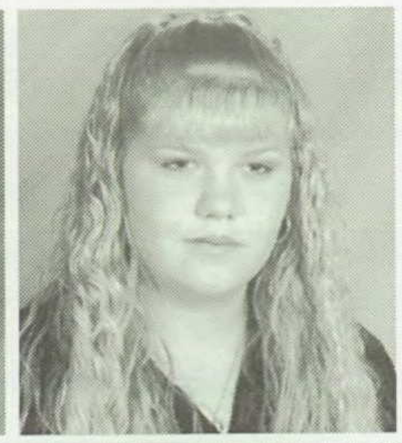
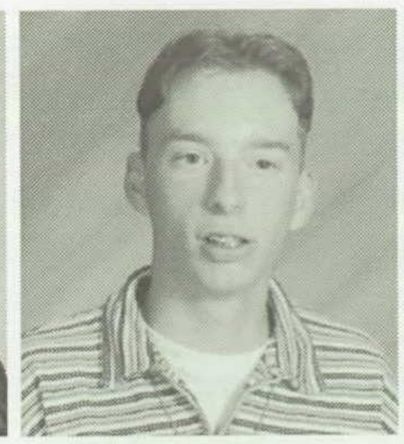
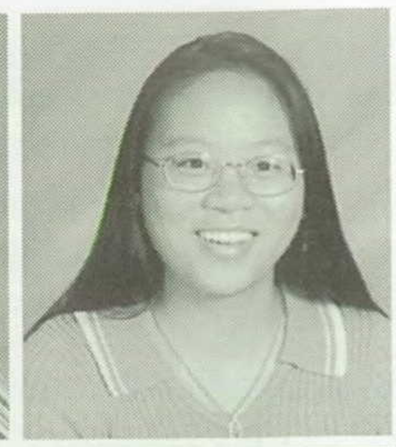

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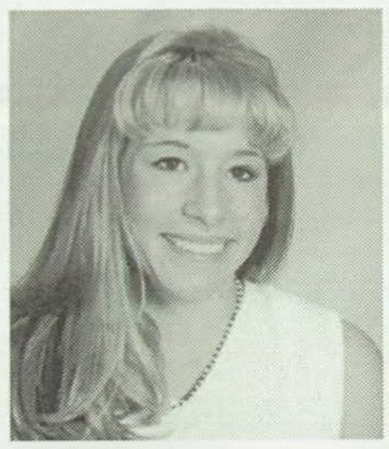
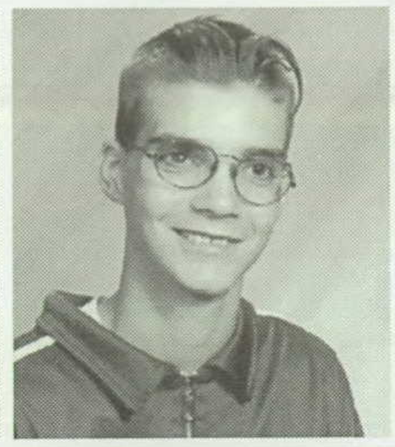
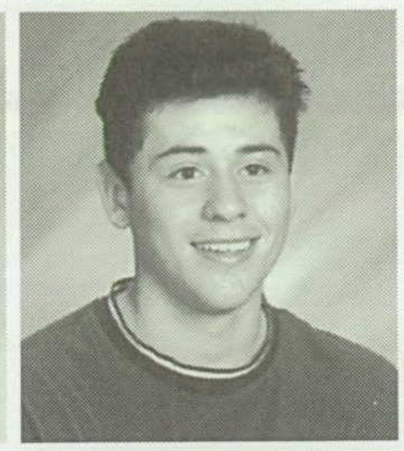
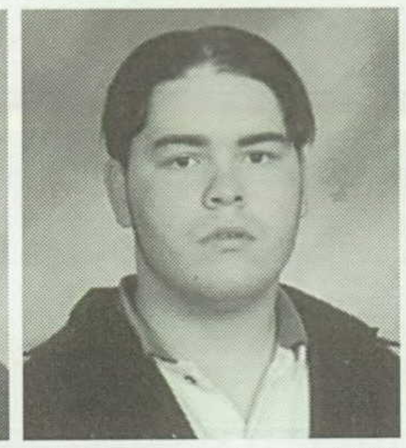
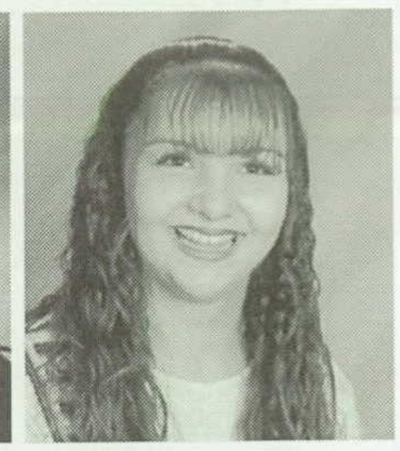

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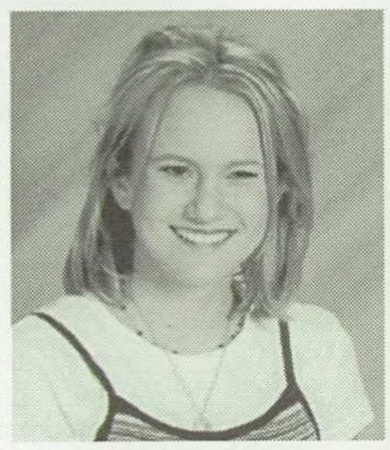
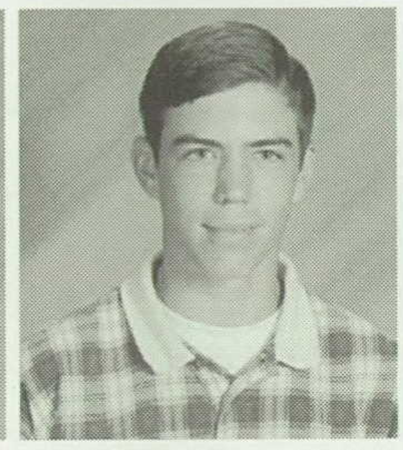
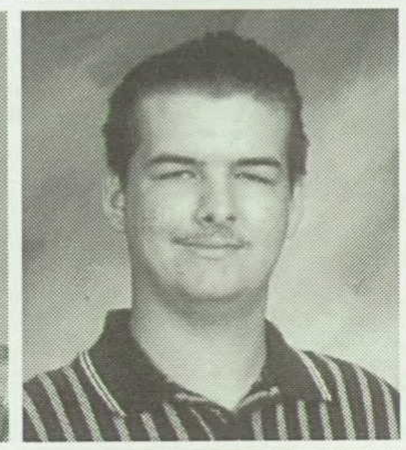

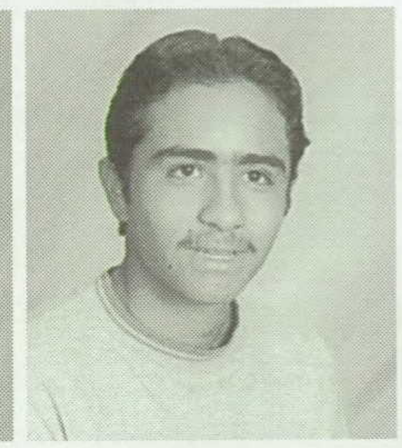

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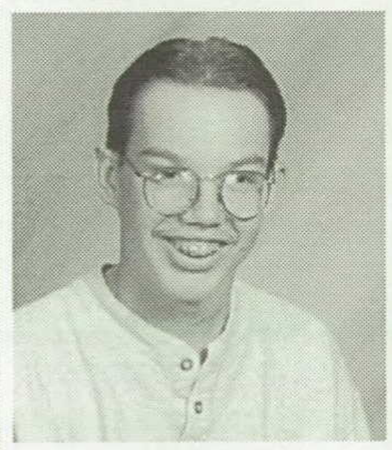
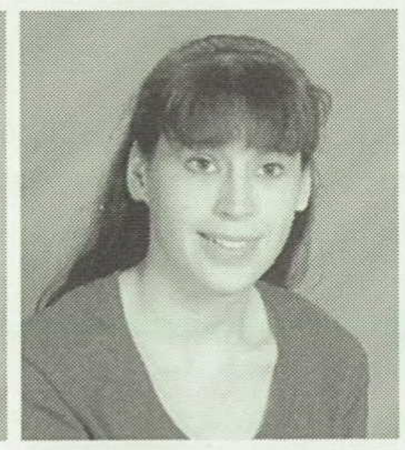
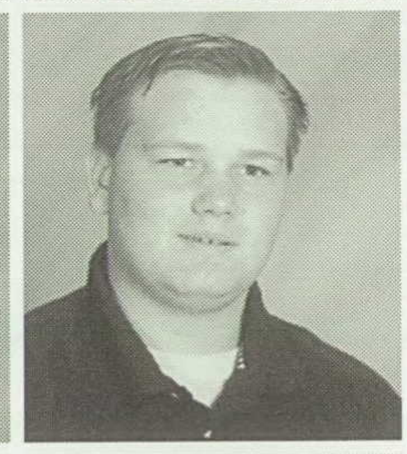
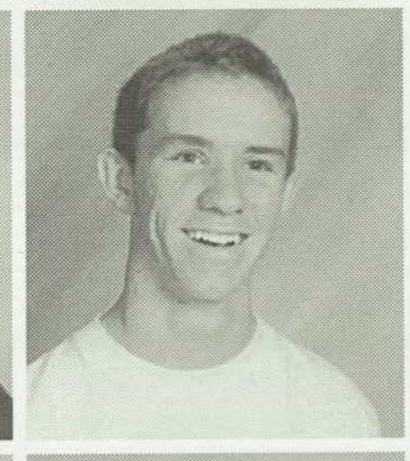
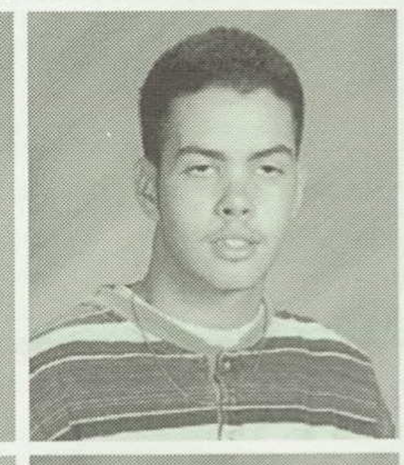

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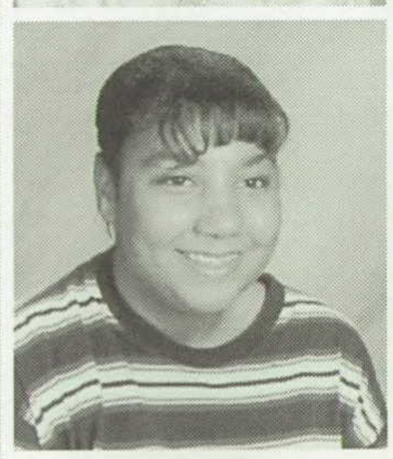

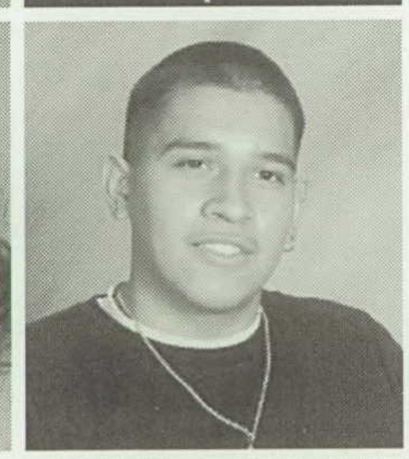
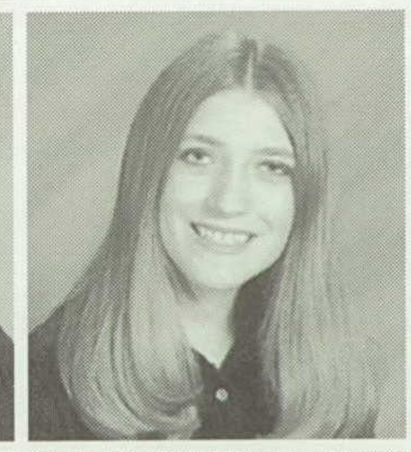
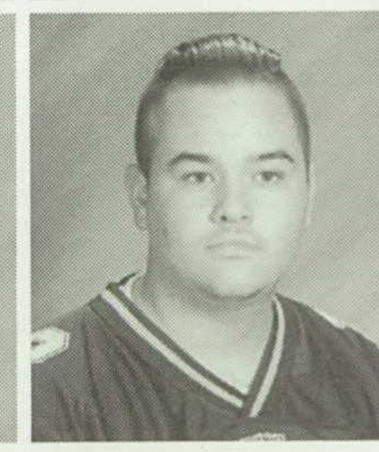

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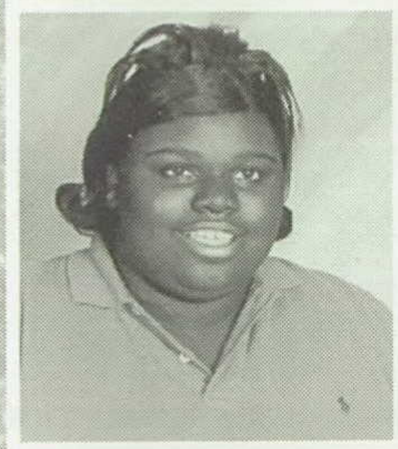
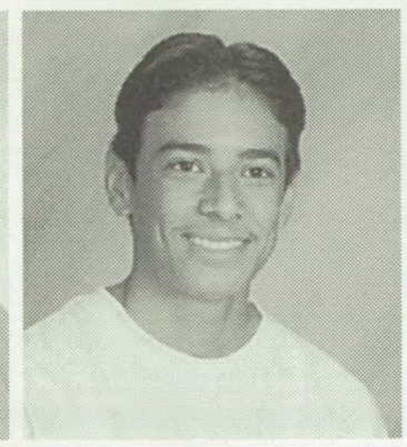
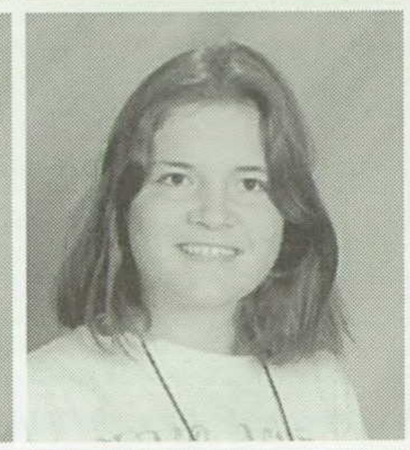
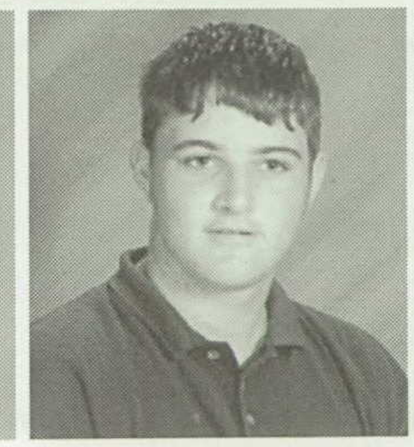
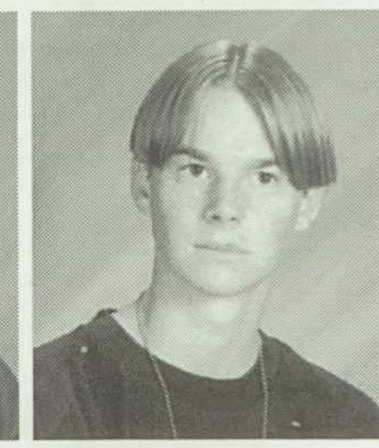

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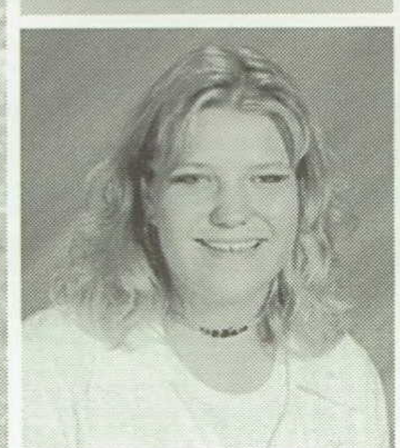
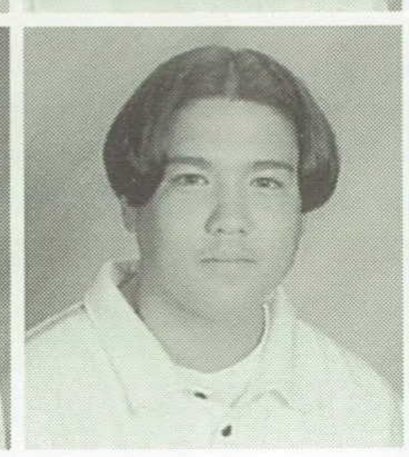
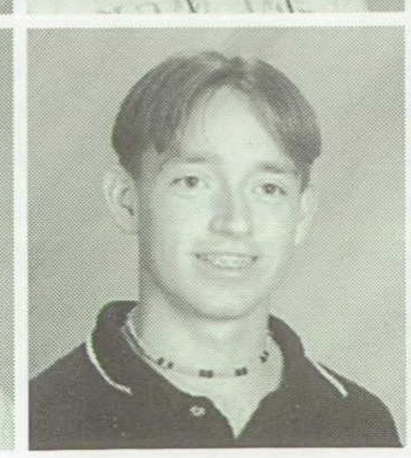
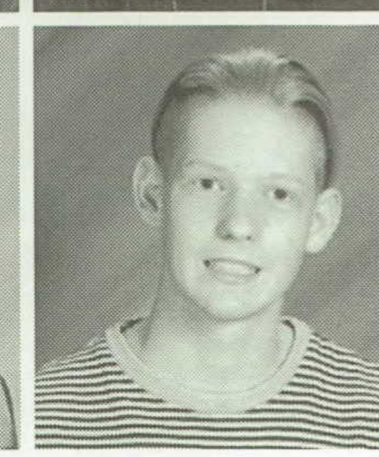






THE THIRD TIME IS ALWAYS A charm

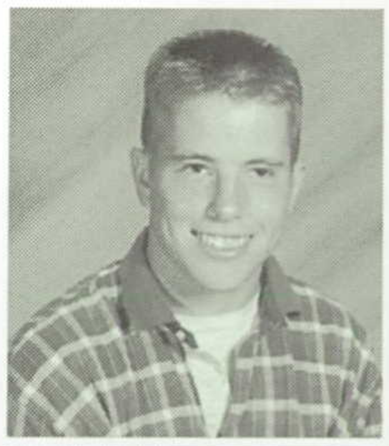
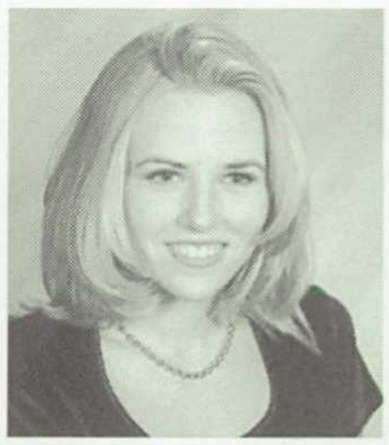
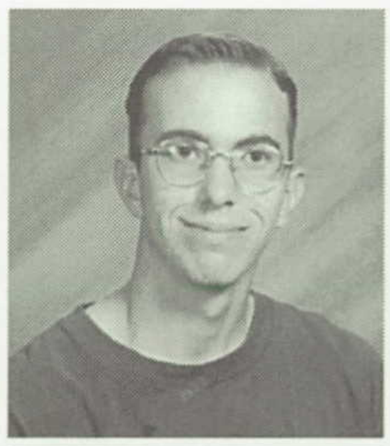
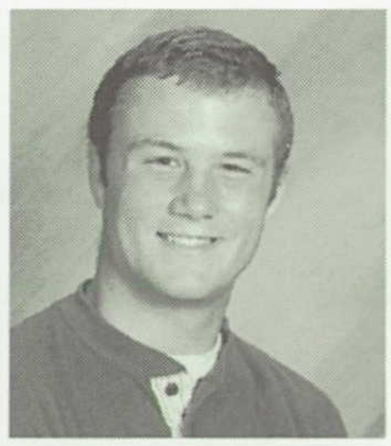
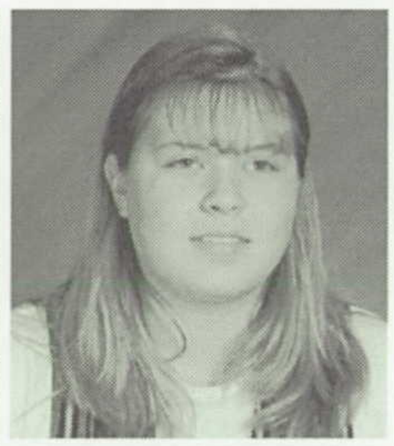
The junior class faced the same challenges and obstacles that all upperclassmen encountered. Amongst those were tougher classes and exams, and planning for their future. The benefits included shorter school days which allowed them to work in the afternoons and also off-campus lunches.

Throughout the year this class made their mark where school spirit was concerned. From pep rallies to homecoming decorations, they showed the rest of the school what it took to be a Wildcat.

Juniors Amie Kirkpatrick and Keri Baldwin dazzle everyone at the prom. They enjoyed the evening and looked forward to next year's.

As the year progressed, they looked forward to the prom and the summer months that were just around the corner. The first two years may have been difficult to conquer, but they all agreed that the third time was a charm.

by Ian Furman

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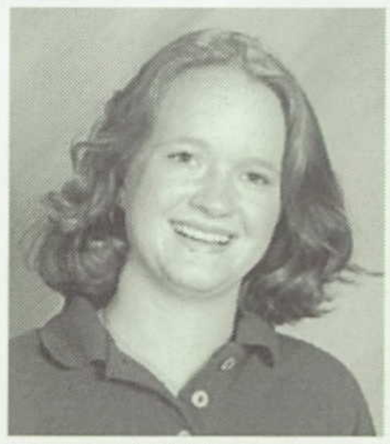
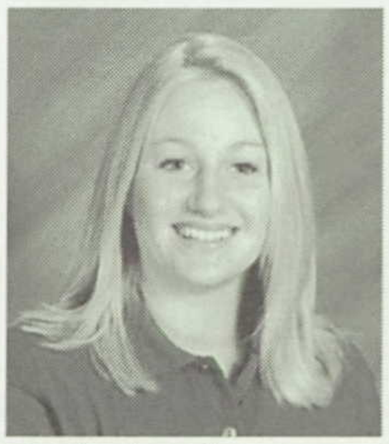
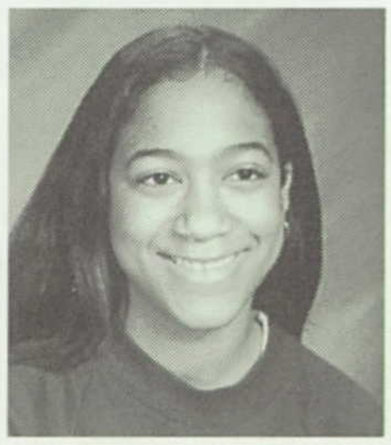
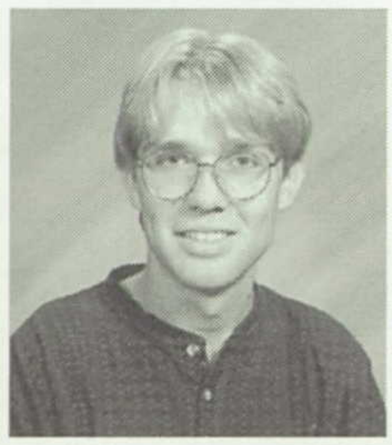

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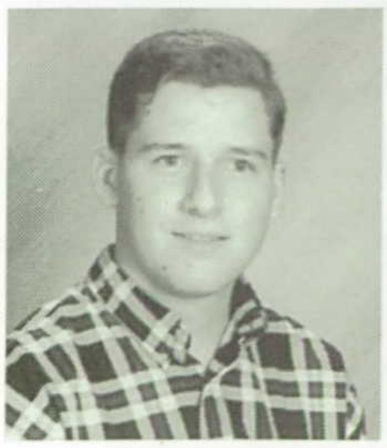
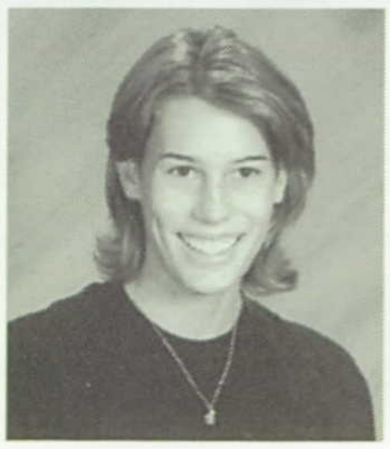

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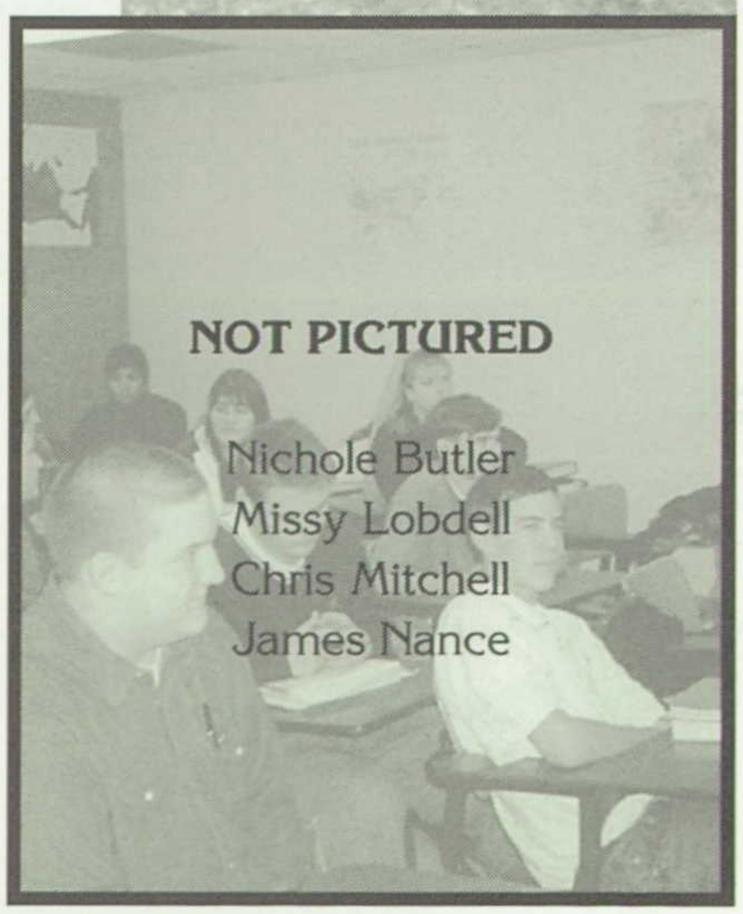

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Nichole Butler
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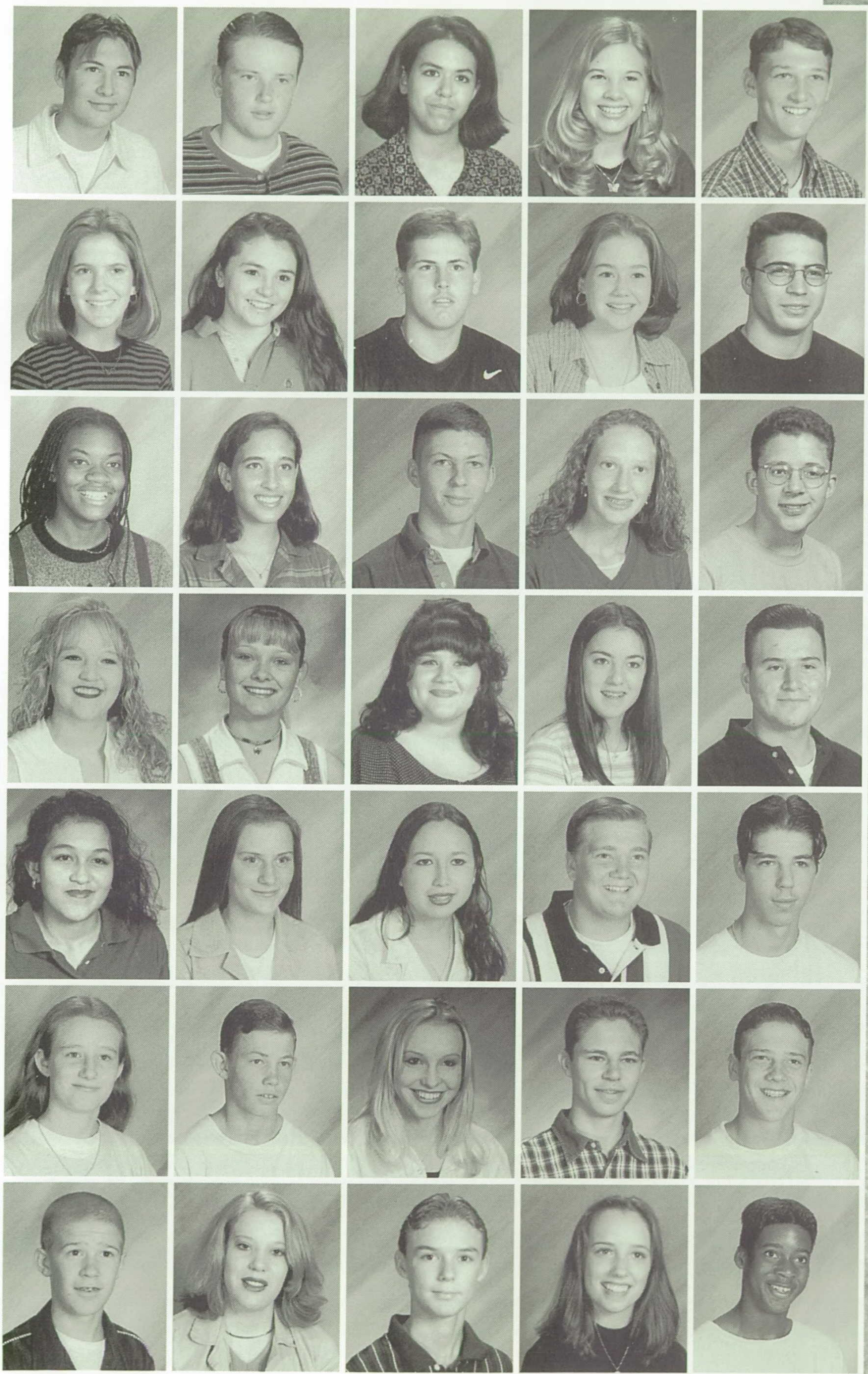
Chris Mitchell
James Nance

LOOK AT US NOW

THE SOPHOMORES

Being a sophomore meant facing new challenges and responsibilities. Driving, dating and attaining jobs became top priorities for these students. The changes that they encountered resulted in more independence and freedom from their parents, which meant that there was more time available to develop relationships outside of school. Socialization took precedence for many, and the friendships that were made created lasting memories as they welcomed adulthood.

Sophomores Austin Johnson and Joni Greenfield were nominated by their class to represent them as Class Favorites.



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Mark Biondi
Nichole Bird
Casey Brewer

Cristy Brown
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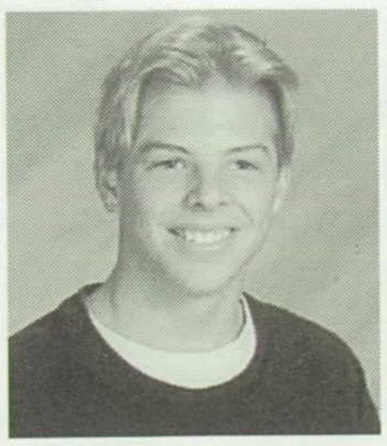
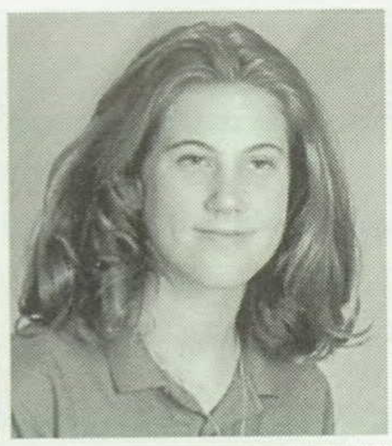
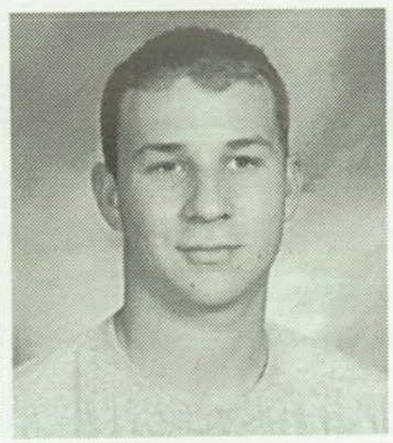
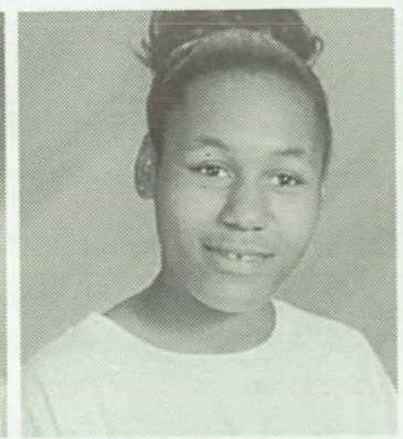
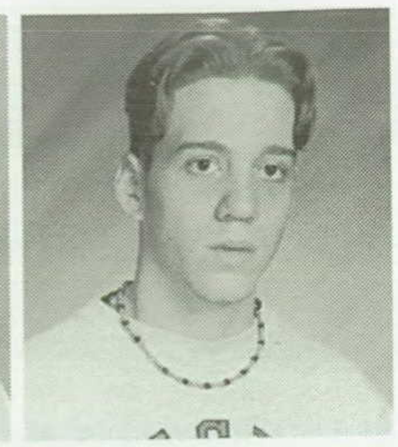

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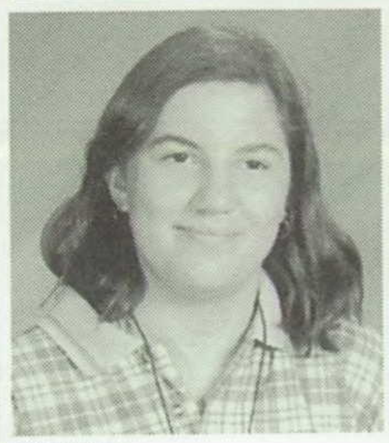
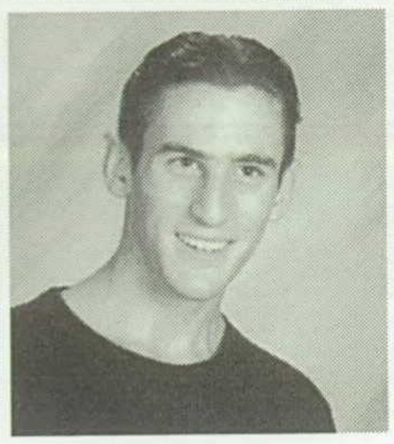
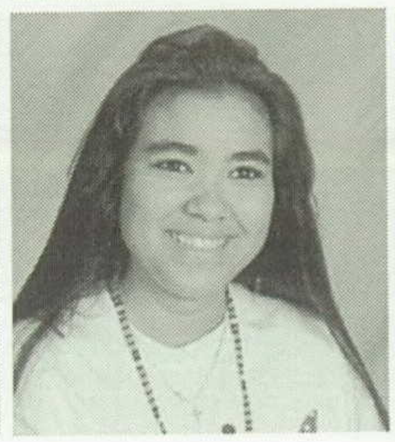
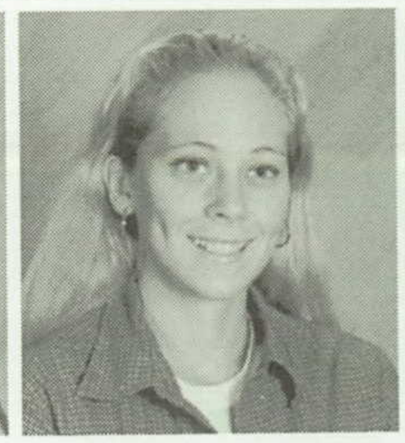
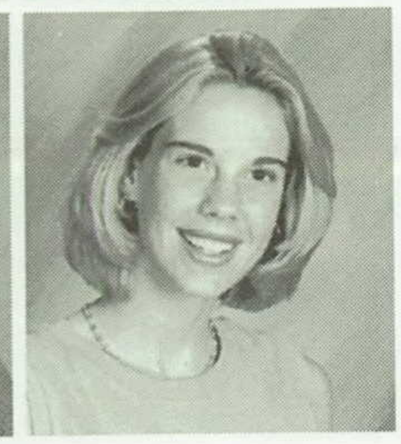
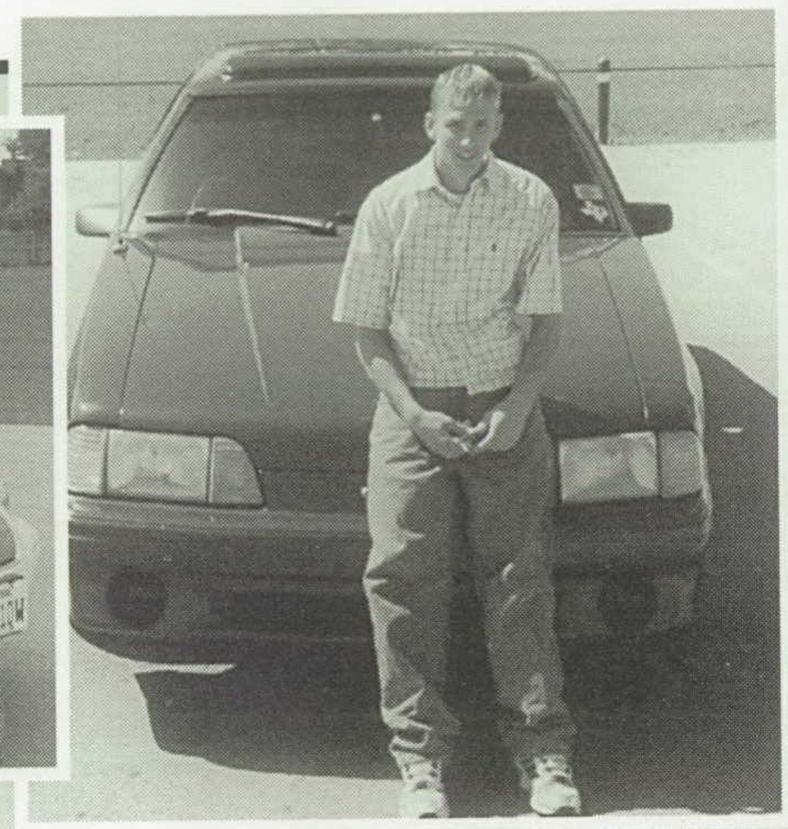






DRIVING IN style

The sophomores put the road to the ultimate test in their motor vehicles.

With the keys to her new 1995 Chrysler Cyrrus, sophomore Lindsay Kegans will be driving in style. Having her own car may have seemed to be an unattainable goal at times, but it was definitely worth the wait.



Sophomore Weston Hunter takes pride in his 1991 Ford Mustang. He enjoyed working on his car and maintaining its appearance.

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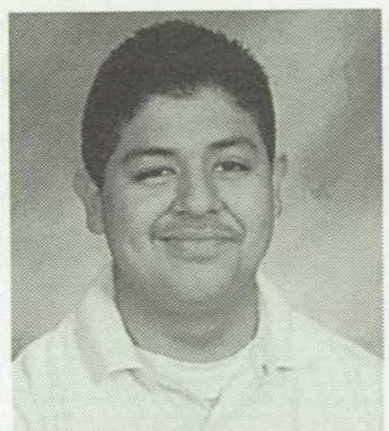
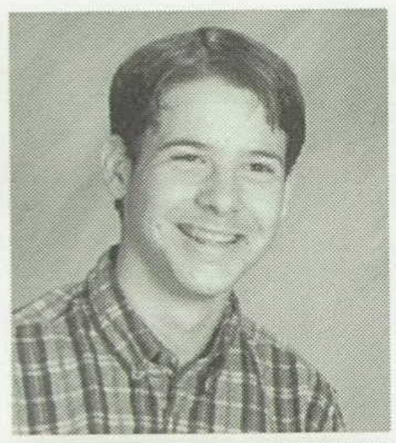
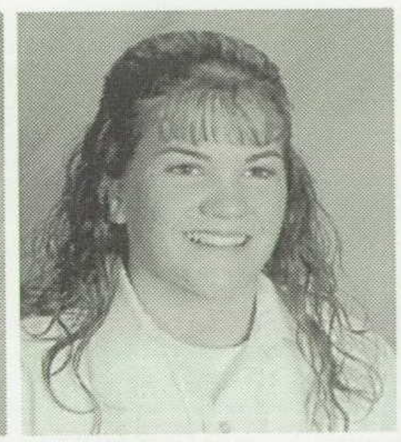
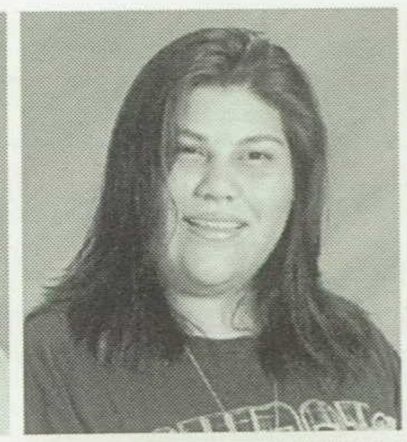
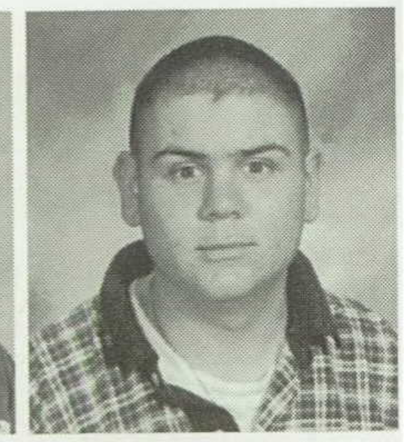

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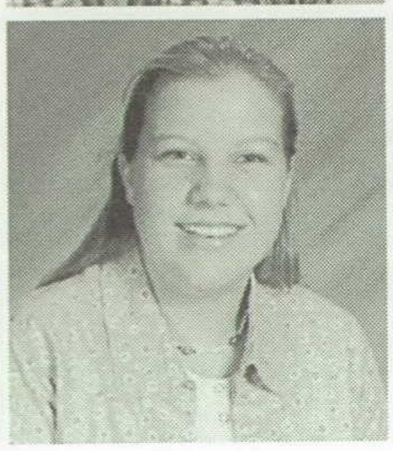
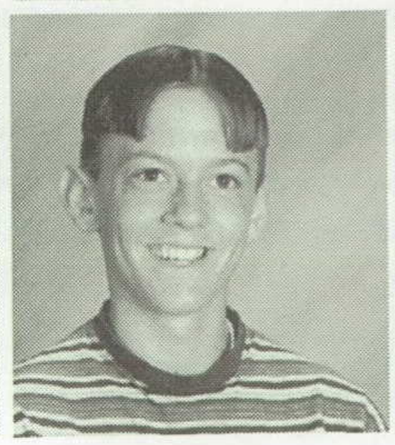
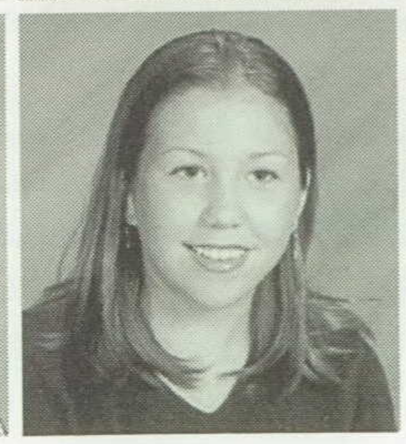
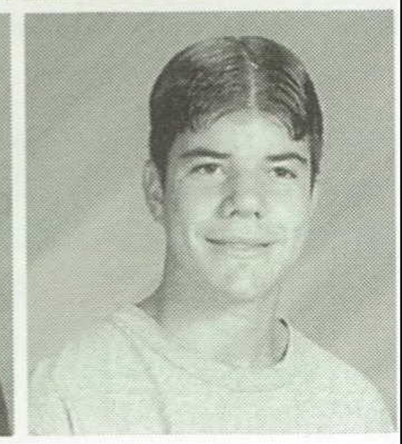

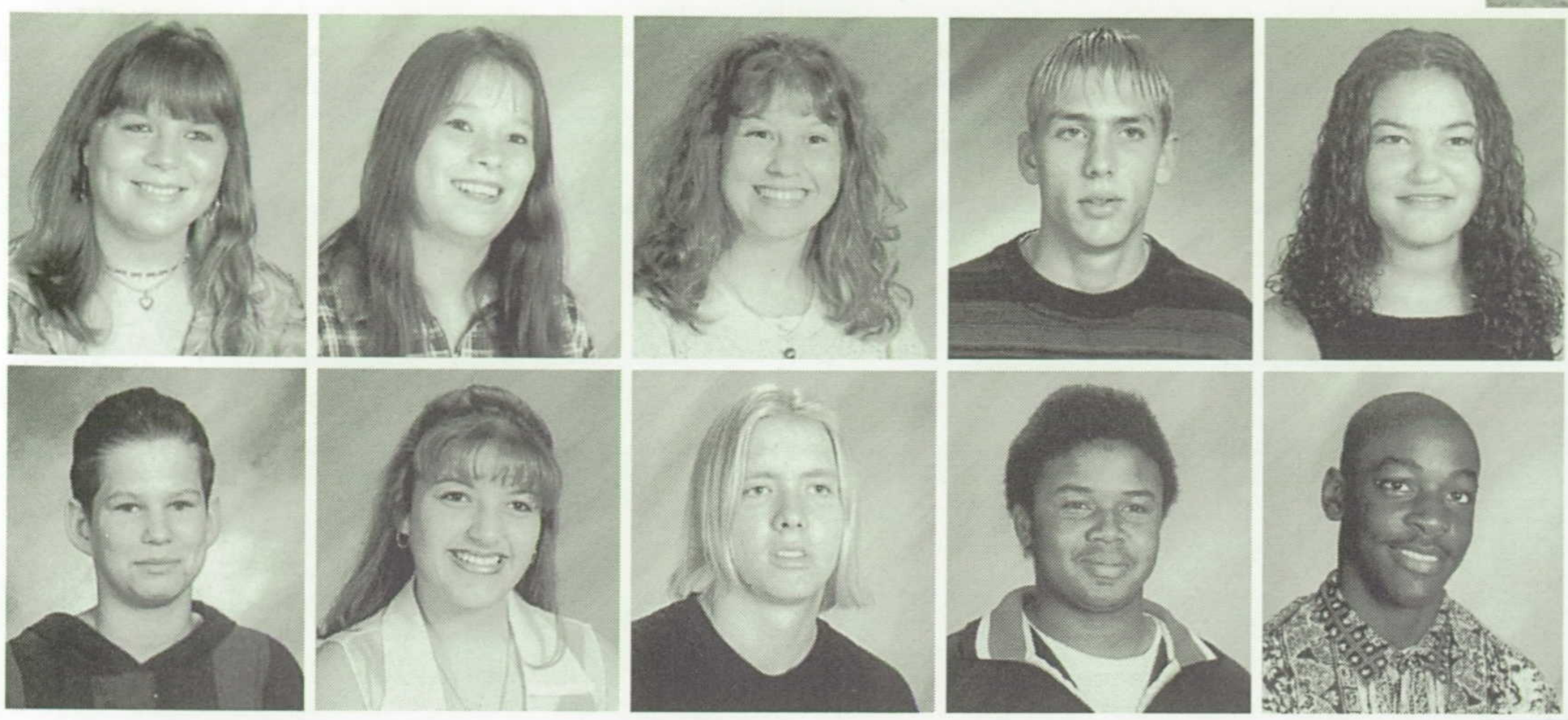

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Elizabeth Humiston
Weston Hunter
Maeghan Hurt

Ray Hutchison
Jennifer Infante
Alan Irving
Brandon Jiles
Darrik Johnson

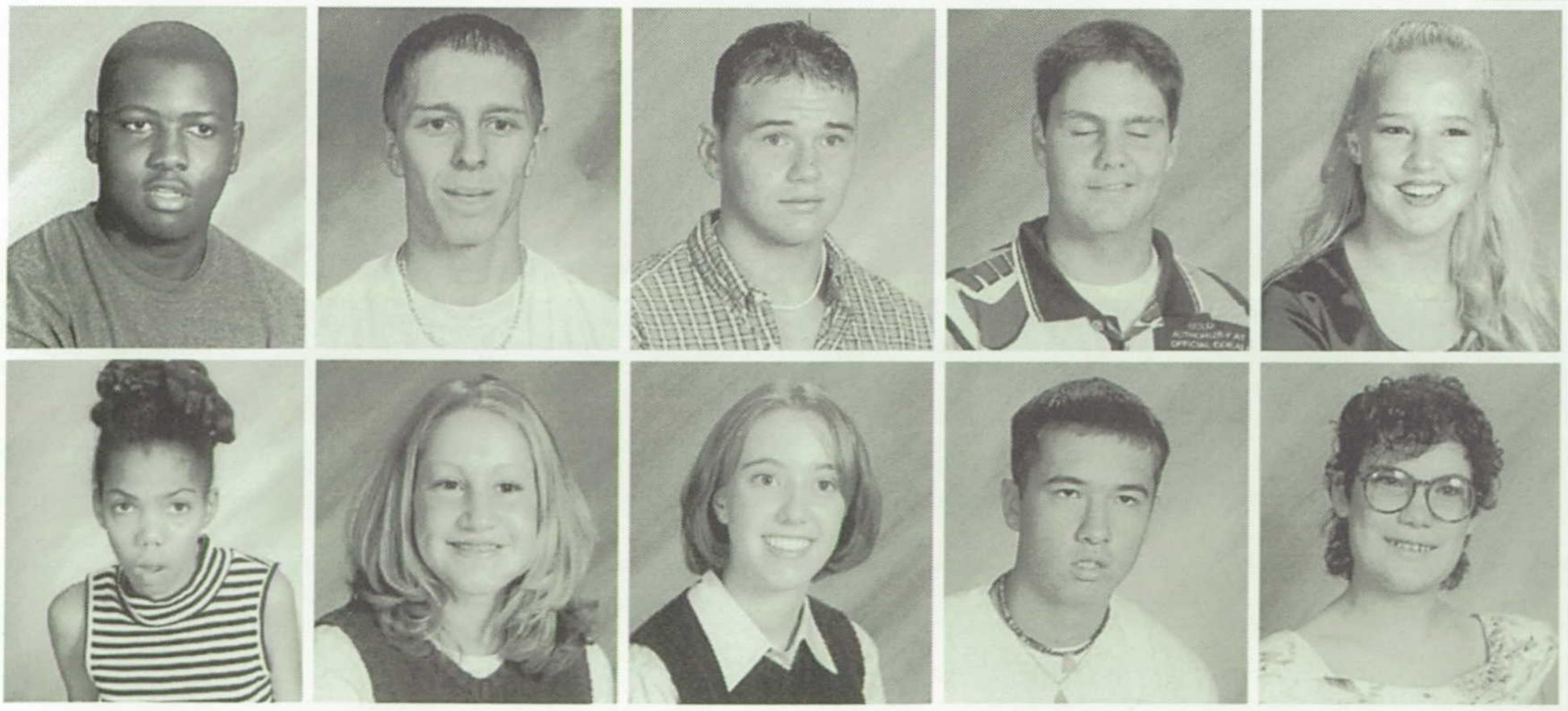
Owning your first car was a chance at freedom, but along with it came responsibility. Many sophomores experienced these feelings as they took to the streets in their new cars. Most students worked to maintain their vehicles, while others were fortunate enough to escape the financial burden.

Every sophomore remembered their first time behind the wheel and the amount of excitement they felt. No longer did they depend on their parents to be their personal taxi cab drivers, but they were free to go wherever the streets took them. This varied from a visit to a friend's house to a trip to the mall.

Not only did the sophomores enjoy the freedom that accompanied owning a car, but many of them took pride in their vehicles' appearance. For example, sophomore Weston Hunter groomed his purple Mustang every night. He washed it with soap and water, cleaned the engine with a toothbrush and towel dried it. Weston stated, "My car not only gets me where I need to go, but it does so in style."

Sophomores continued to drive in style as they put the road to the ultimate test in their motor vehicles.

by Brandi Knox



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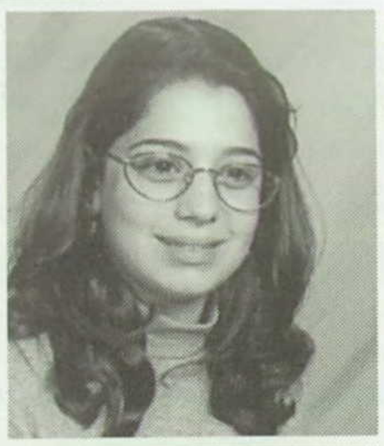

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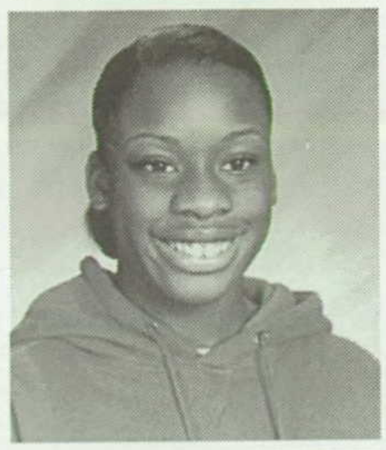

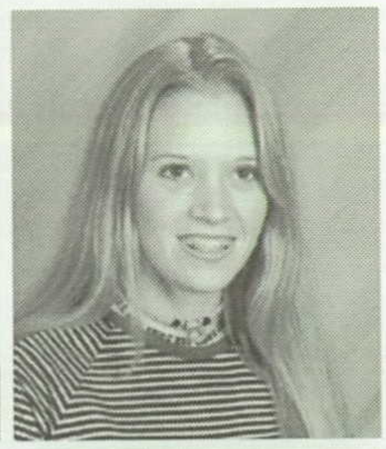

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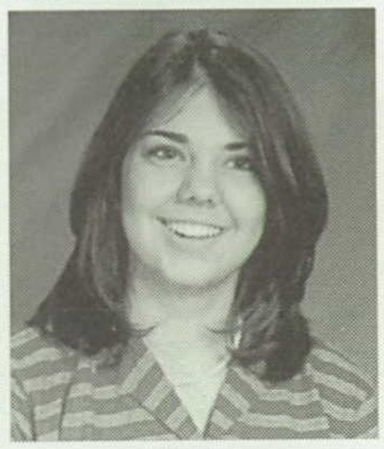

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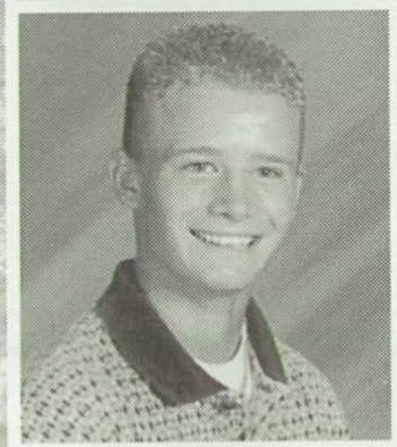

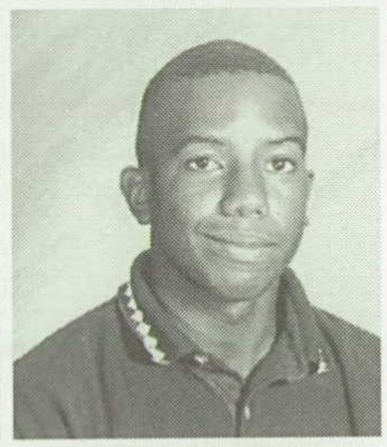

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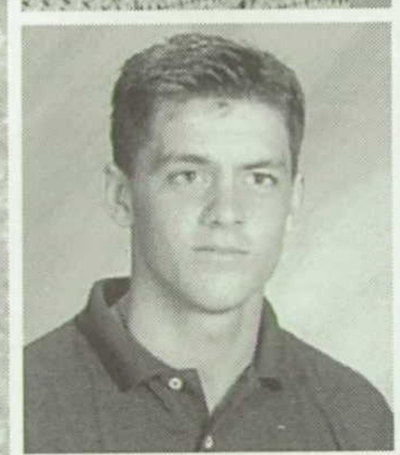

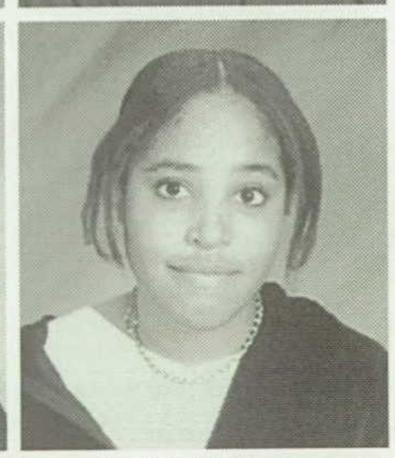

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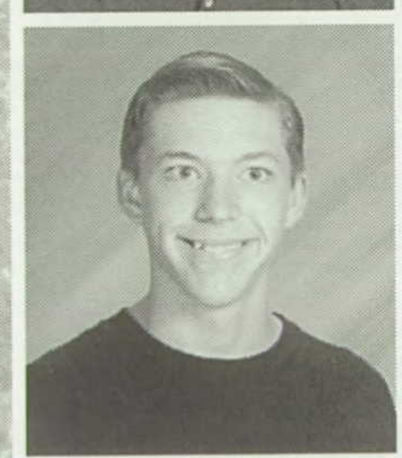

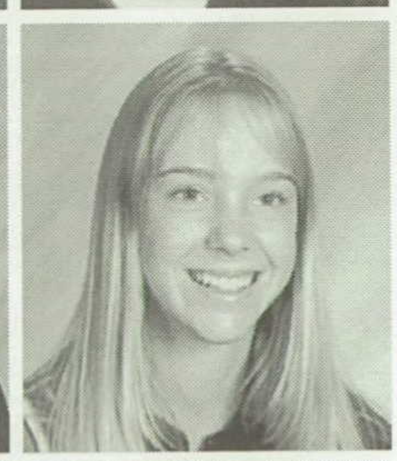

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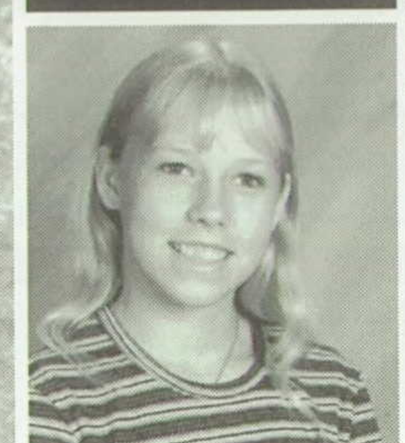
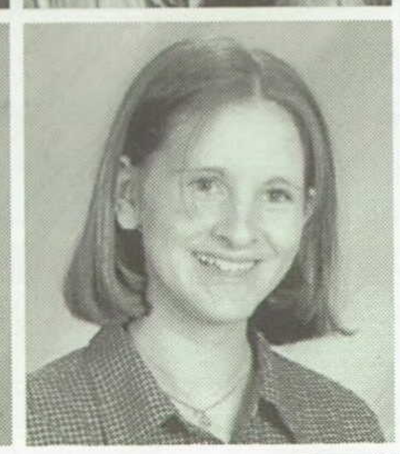




MORE THAN enough

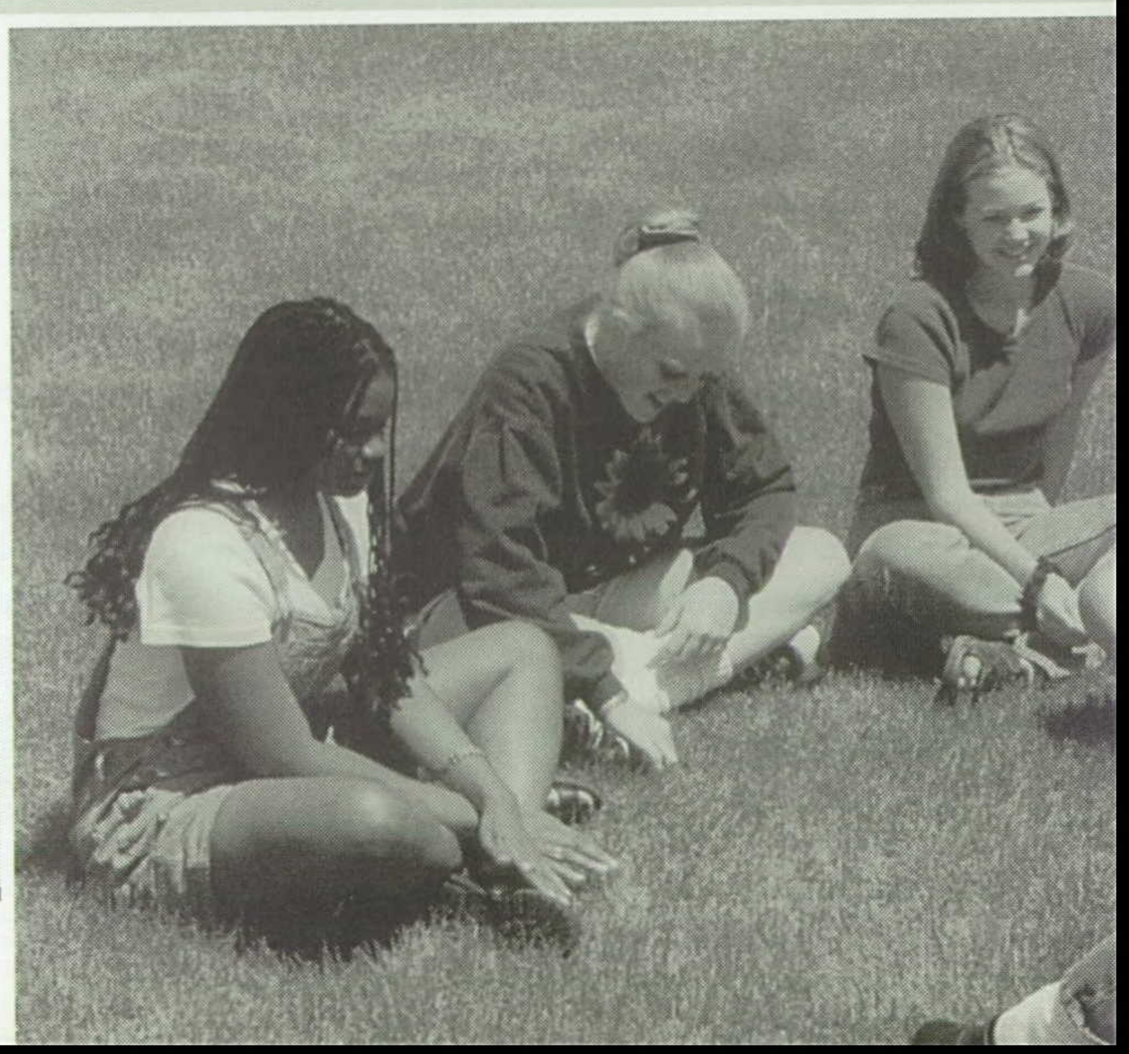
The bomb threats in the spring of 1998 were not something that the students wanted to have to experience once, not to mention twice. The uncertainty and fear of not knowing what to expect was unsettling.

The first signal of a bomb threat came on April seventh. The faculty and students evacuated quickly and dispersed to the baseball and practice football fields. An ambulance and the fire department arrived on the scene, followed by the Kennedale Police. Anxiety built as everyone observed the administrators and authorities clear the scene to ensure everyones safety. Later that afternoon, the students and faculty returned to the building and attempted to complete the remainder of the school day.

The next morning everyone was inconvenienced by a second bomb threat. This repeated occurrence stunned the school and made many question why a person would make such a threat.

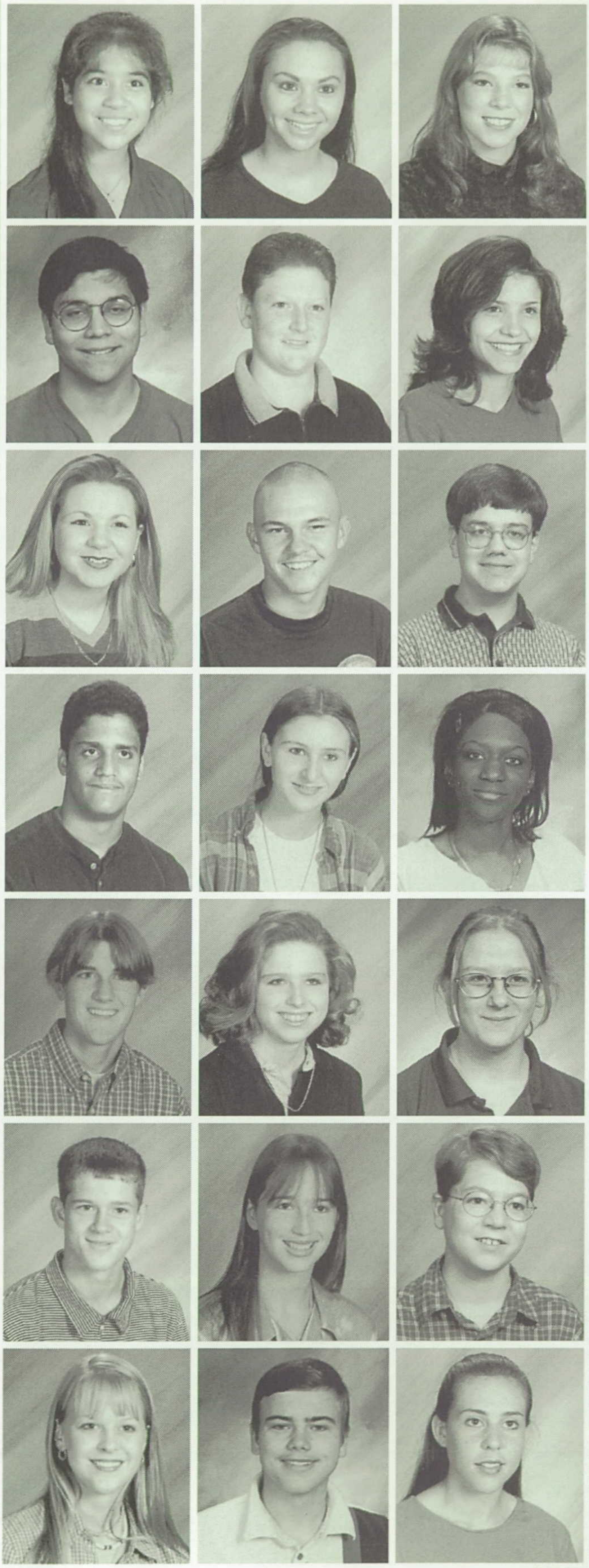
A bomb threat is a serious crime with serious consequences. Many will never forget April 19,1995 when a bomb caused the death of 168 people in Oklahoma City. This obviously was not a laughing matter and students should not have to feel unsafe at school as a result of a foolish prank.

by Ian Furman



"The bomb threats concerned my friends and I, especially after the recent tragedy in Jonesboro, Arkansas which resulted in the deaths of four students and a faculty member during a building evacuation."
Tiffany Shirley

Sophomores Kalila Berry, Cynthia Whightsil, Cassi Barnes, Tiffany Shirley and Lauren Lord wait patiently for clearance after the first bomb threat. The bomb threats occurred during six weeks tests which delayed grading and inconvenienced both students and faculty.



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Charie Olson
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Chad Pearce
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Jeff Rakes
Gabe Ramirez
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Shawn Riley
Rachel Sanchez
Zech Santos
Heather Schulze

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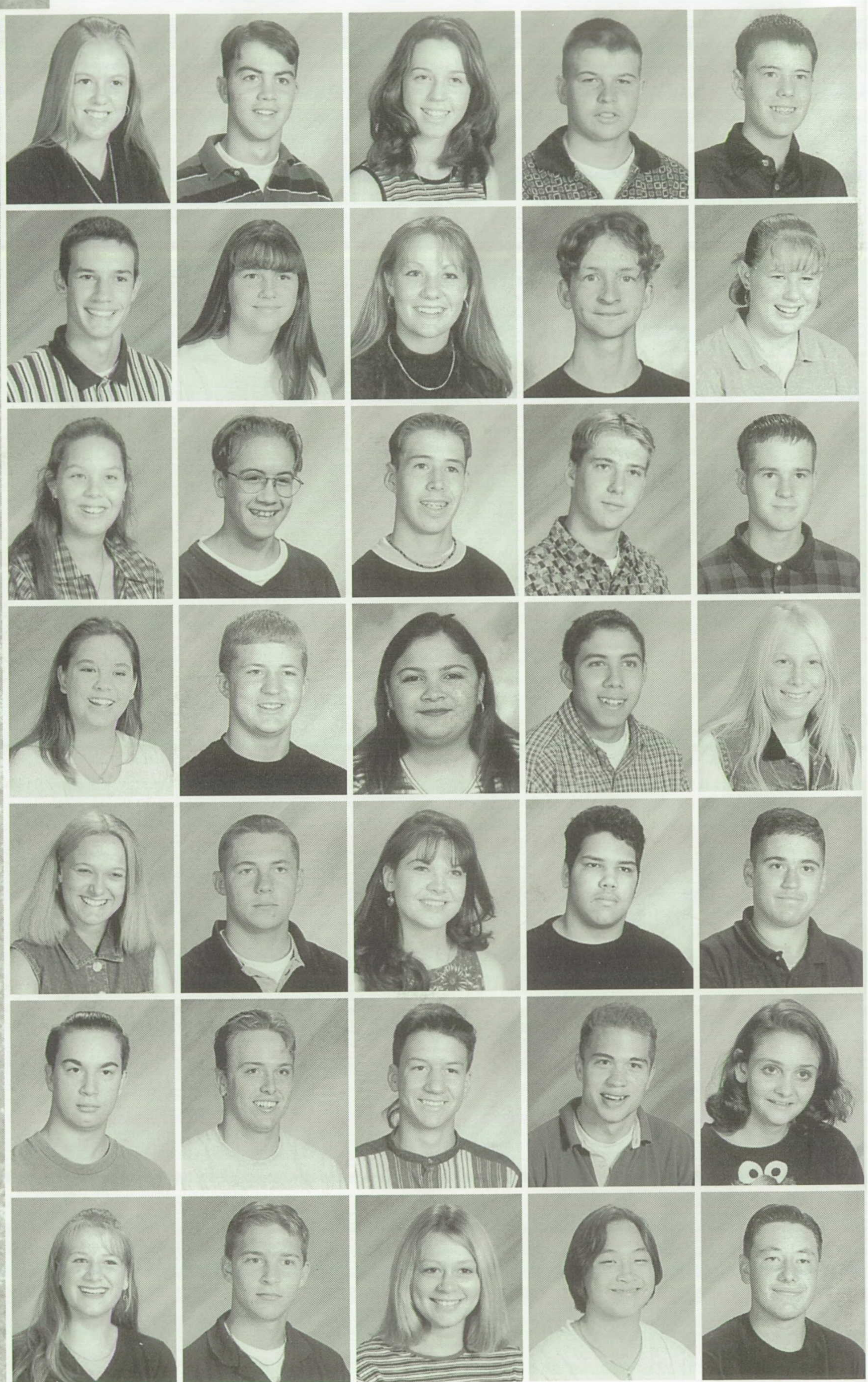


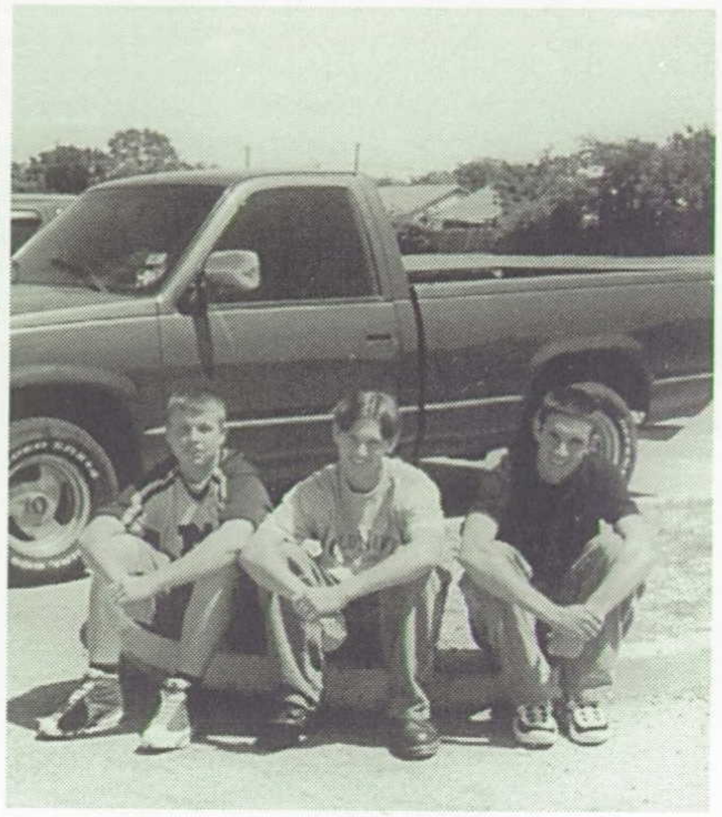
UNIQUELY THEIR own

Life as a sophomore was filled with its ups and downs. They were no longer clueless freshmen and they were not yet upperclassmen. They were just stuck in the middle, living life in their own unique way.

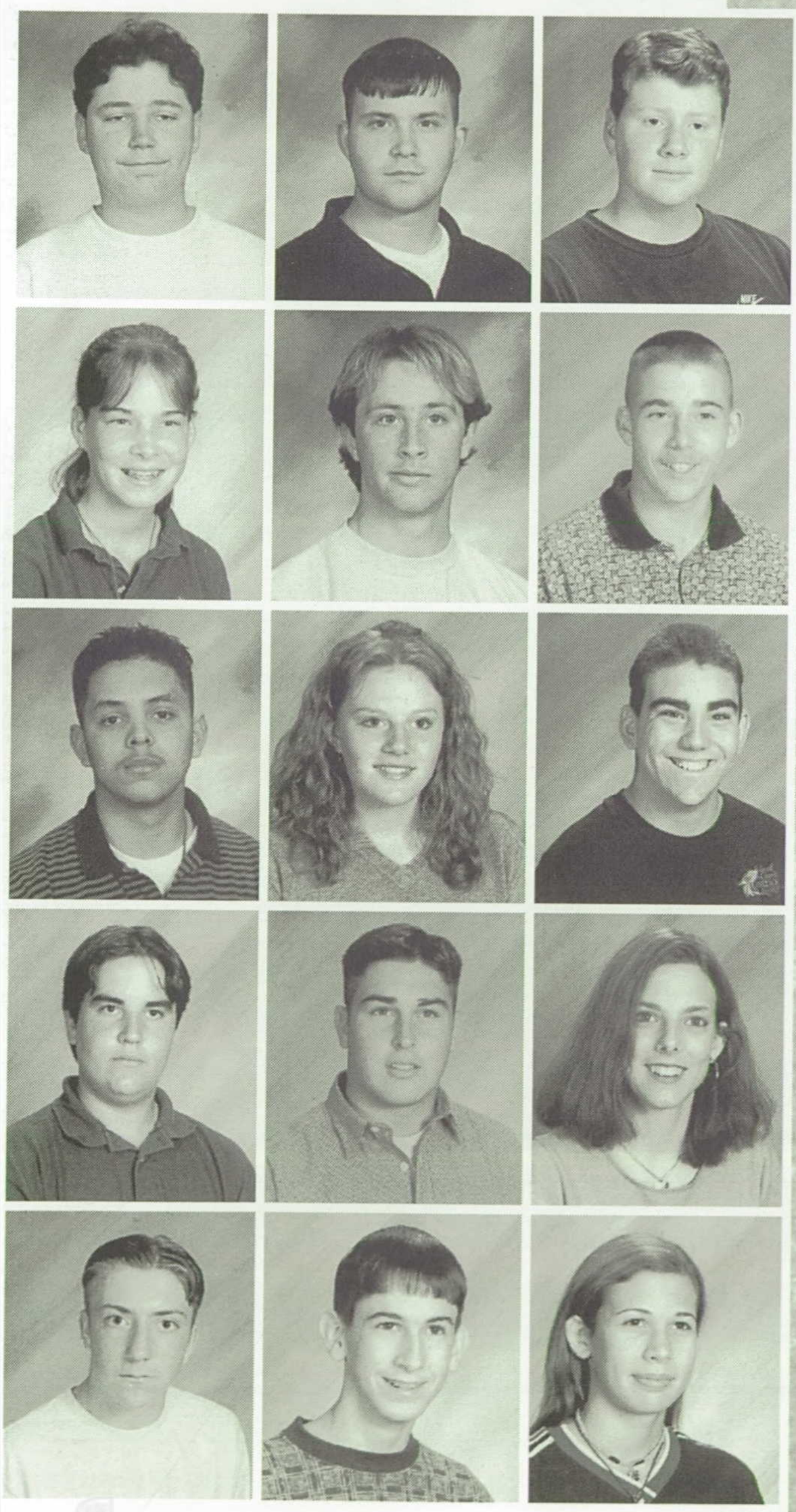
Many sophomores found it hard to complain since they have experienced more freedom this year than last. Being behind the wheel and owning their own vehicles played a major role in their new found sense of self. "I have my own car and will soon get my license. I also have a later curfew than last year which gives me more freedom," stated sophomore Ray Hutchison.

As the school year shortened, sophomores became less trapped and started expressing their unique side.

by Brandi Knox



Sophomores Chad Pearce, J.R. Baade and John Petry experience the freedom of having their license to drive. They all felt that the best part of this new found independence was not having to wait for someone to pick you up, especially after athletic practices.



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Rachel Wynalda

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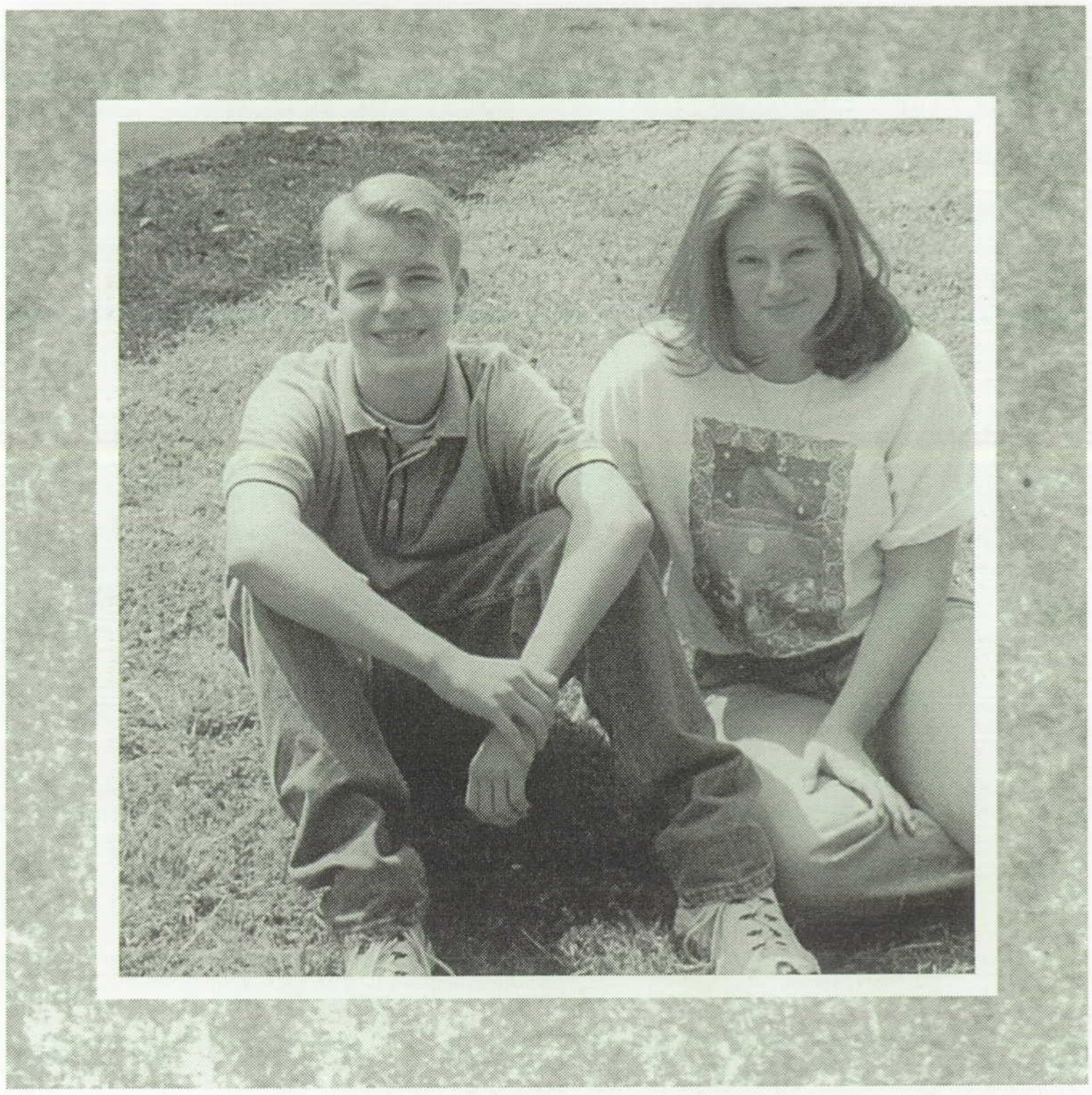
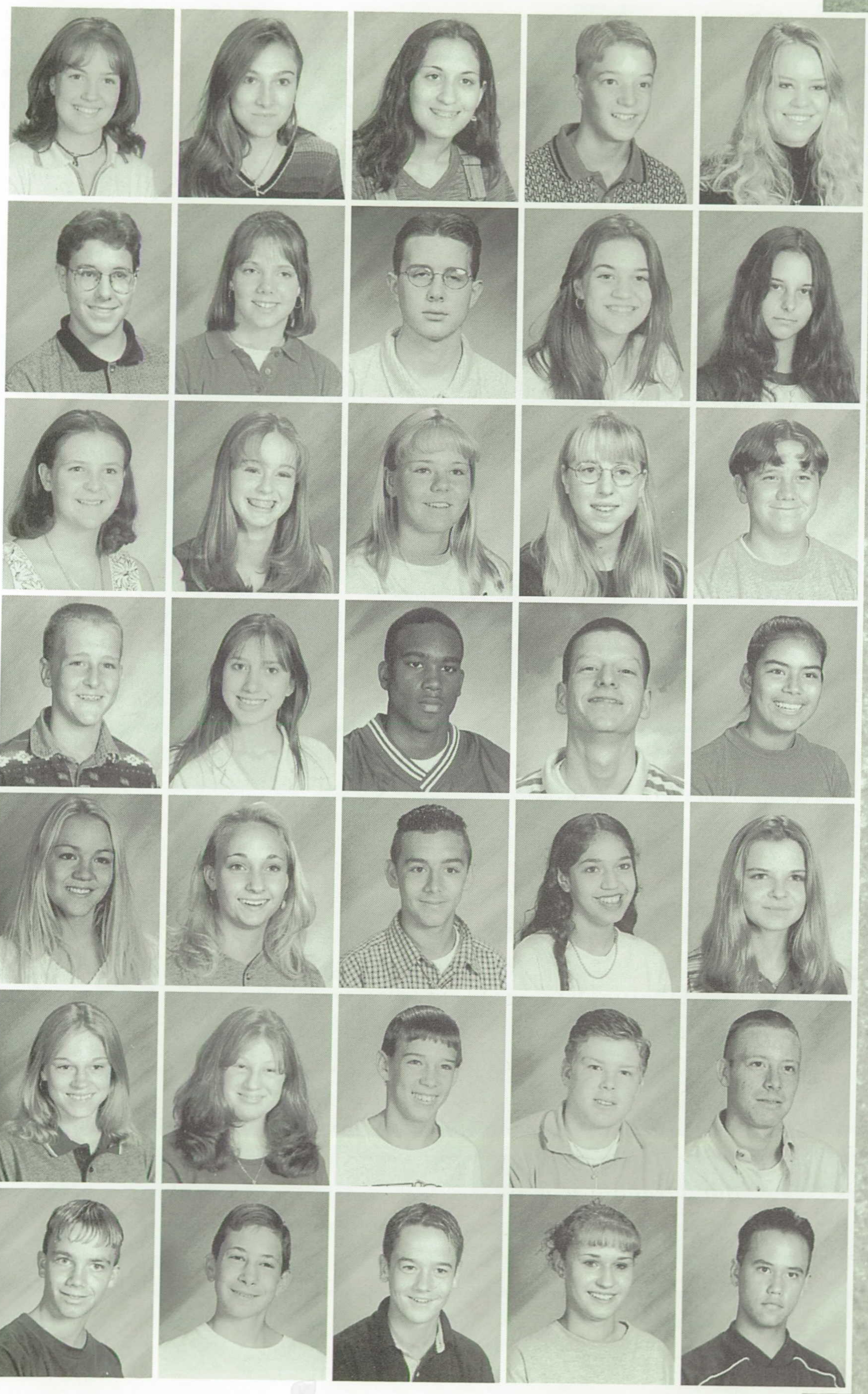


AT FIRST GLANCE

THE FRESHMEN

Kennedale High School registered almost two hundred incoming freshmen at the beginning of the 1997–98 school year, making them the largest class in school history. They entered the already crowded hallways, making things almost too close for comfort. Becoming familiar with a new environment, adapting to the block scheduling and being the new faces in the crowd were just a few of the challenges that this class faced. They did all of the above gracefully and proved that strength was in numbers.

Freshmen Ian Furman and Joanna Collins were nominated by their class to represent them as Class Favorites.



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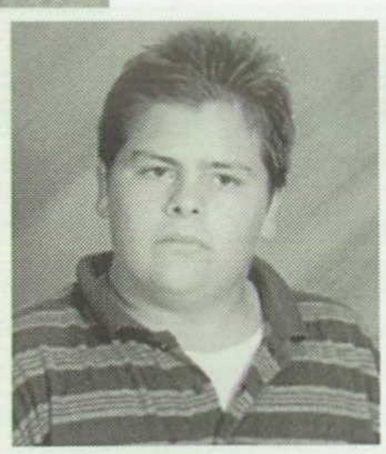
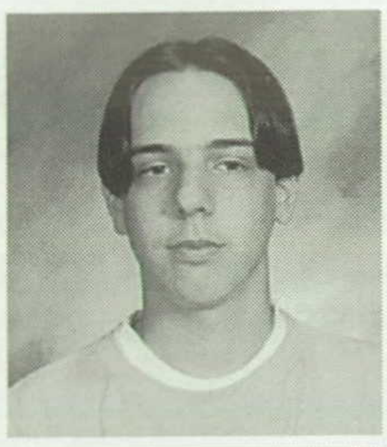
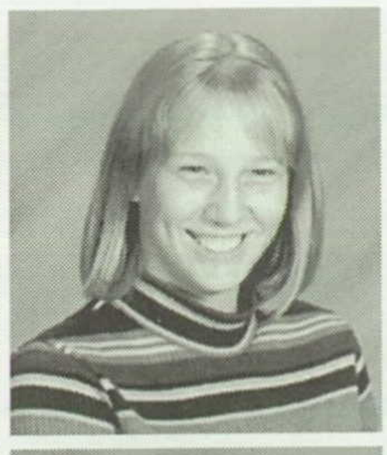
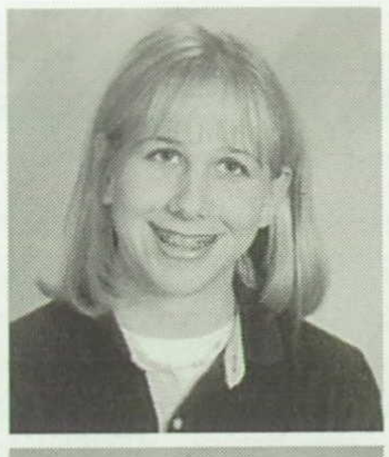
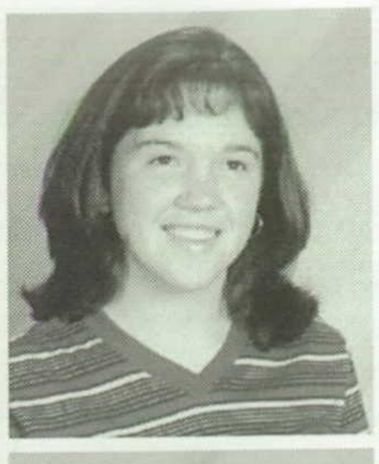

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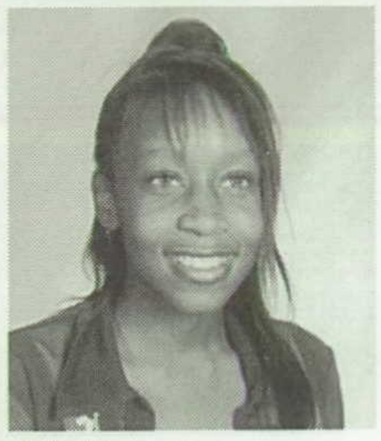
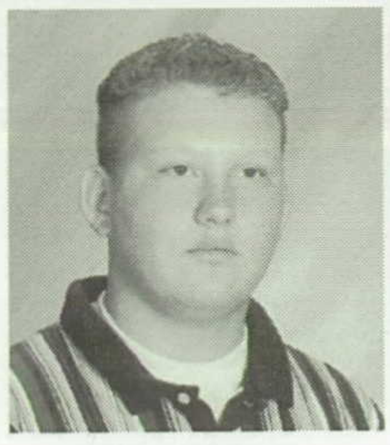
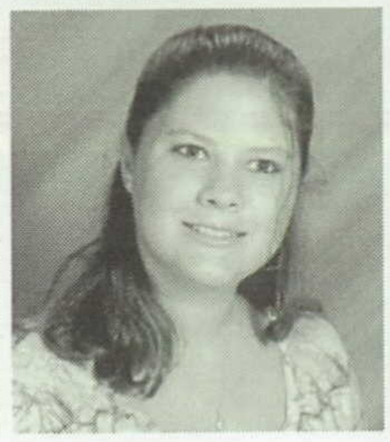
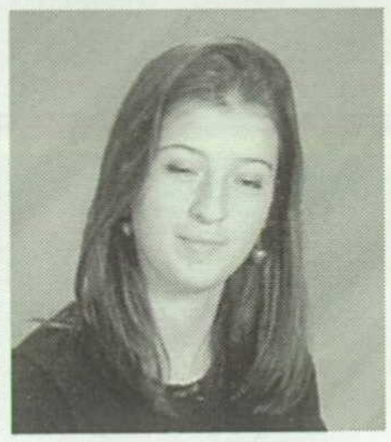
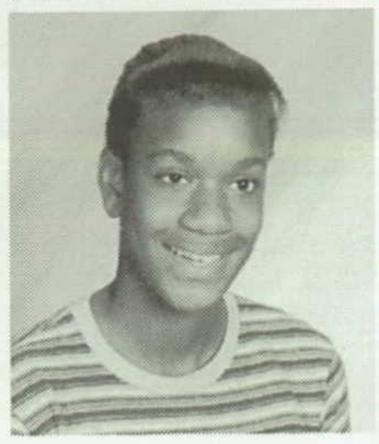

FRESHMEN fears

They were filled with anxiety and anticipation, but they soon realized that there was nothing to fear as they looked ahead.

As the freshmen walked through the doors of Kennedale High School for the first time, they were filled with thoughts of anxiety and anticipation.

Many wondered if their clothes were cool enough, if their hair looked good, or if they would fit in. Some even worried that the teachers would be mean or their classes would be too difficult. "I wasn't sure what to expect, but the freshmen orientation helped alleviate any anxieties," said freshman Gina Harvey.

At Kennedale High School, freshmen fears went no further than the first day. They realized that there was not any reason to be afraid. There was just all the more to look forward to. The first day of the first year eventually turned into the last day, giving even the most terrified freshman hope for the future.

by Ian Furman

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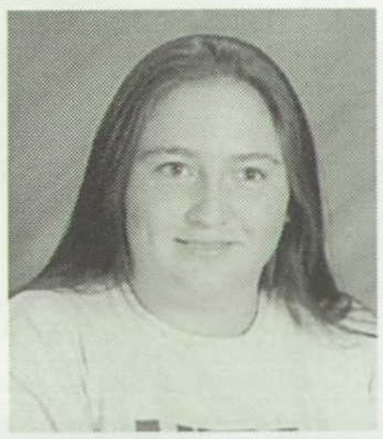
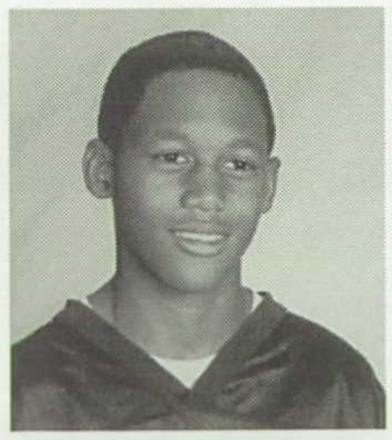
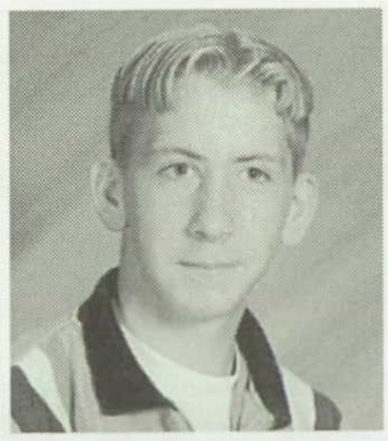
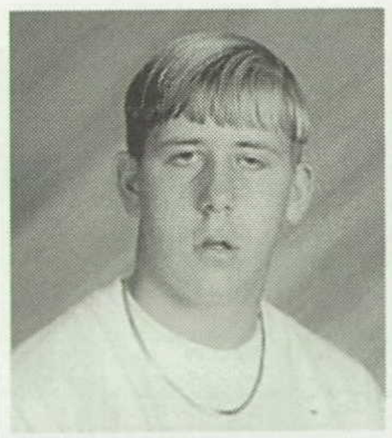
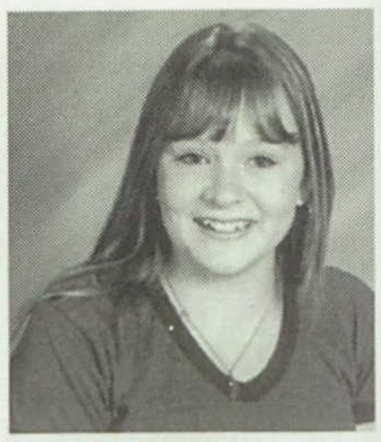

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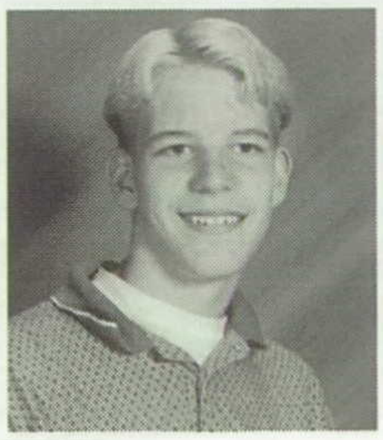

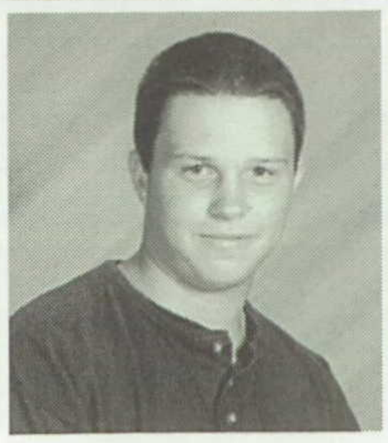
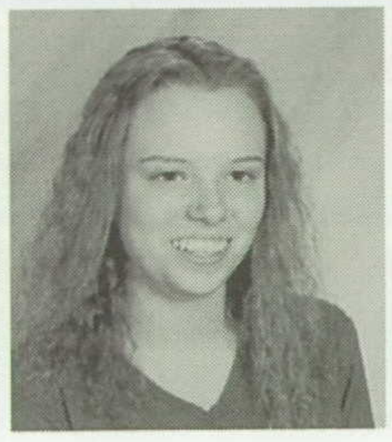
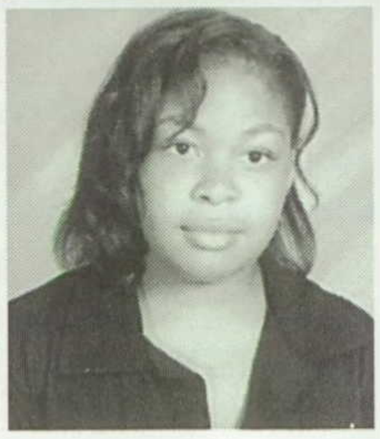

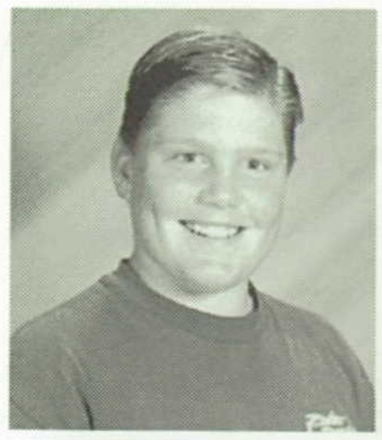
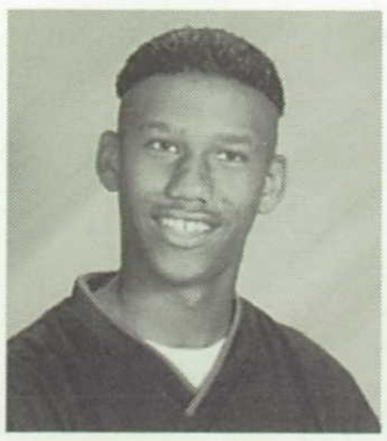
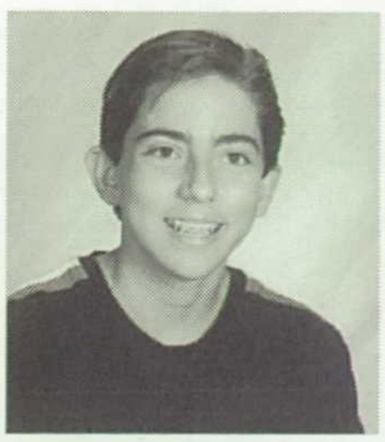
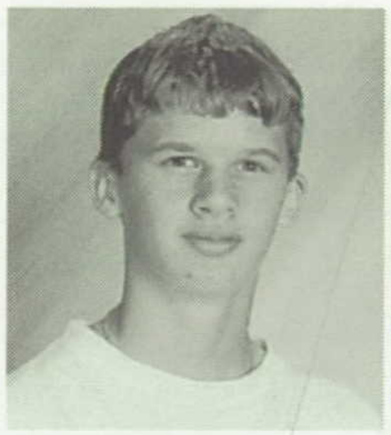
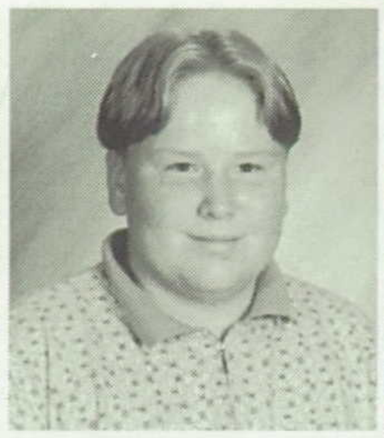

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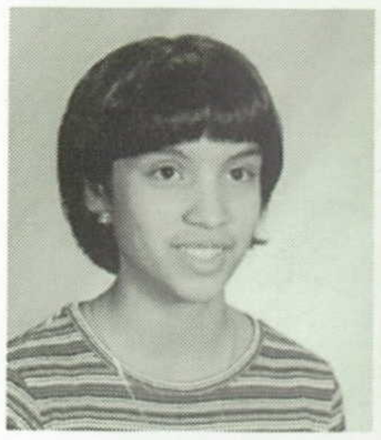

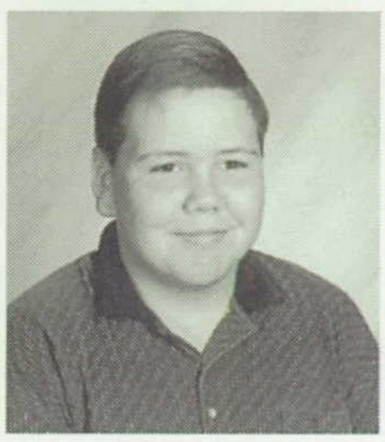
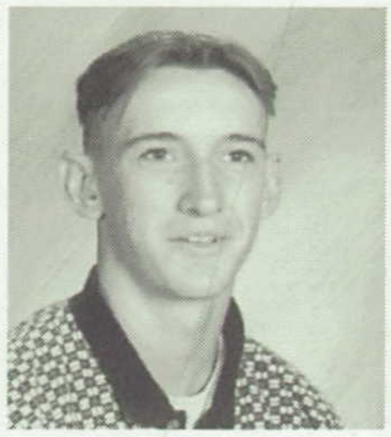
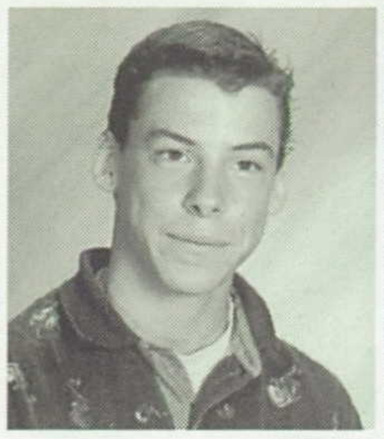

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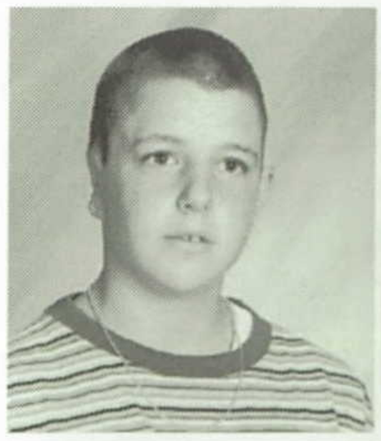
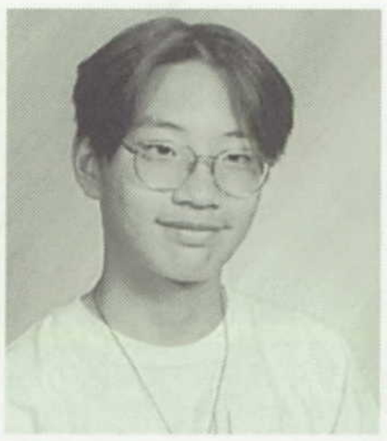
Murrel Hastings
Mike Hays
Kevin Henderson

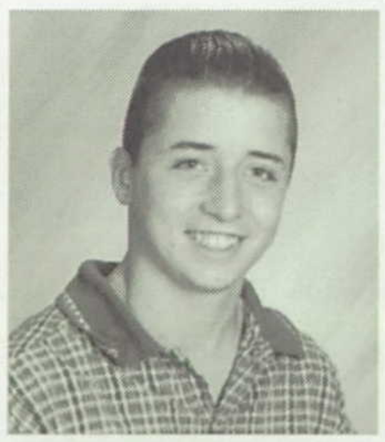
Freshmen Ashlee Sturgeon, Liliana Rico, Maria Cabrera and Lindsey Bennett enjoy socializing during their break. They took their first year of high school in stride, adjusting to the changes as they encountered them.

Freshmen Bryan Swindell, Mike Hays, Kelly Saunders, Ashley Holder, Amanda Mendoza, Tom Stanphill, Jelaine Bates, Rodney Swindell, Christy Castillo and Stanley Schumann visit with their friends during one of the bomb threats. As their hunger pains struck, they anxiously waited for the bell to ring so they could return to lunch.

" I was really worried about getting to know my new teachers. I was also concerned about maintaining my grades in more difficult classes." freshman Maria Cabrera







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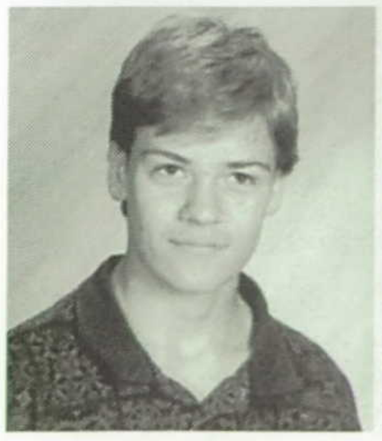

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Kristen Jernigan

FACING OBSTACLES AND changes

Freshmen at Kennedale High School had new adjustments to make and challenges to face. Initially, the block schedule proposed quite a big hurdle for these students.

The A and B days with four classes per day were very confusing in comparison to their former schedule at the junior high. The change was a positive one according to freshman Kary Krafve. He stated,"The block schedule is especially helpful in classes such as art or biology. The extra time is nice to have for getting out and putting away supplies and cleaning up. It also leaves me with more time to work on the projects." Most freshmen eventually unanimously favored the block schedule.

Freshmen Khalid Khorchid, James Hunt, Billy Varney, Kary Krafve and Chase Crocker complete their outdoor perspective drawing assignment. They enjoyed the benefits of the block schedule and the extra time that it gave them for class.

Another obstacle that this class faced was the enforcement of a dress code. Some of the rules were no hats, shirts tucked, clean shaven and no earrings for boys, just to name a few. Some students found it difficult to abide by these rules and often found themselves in detention hall as a result. "A lot of times I found it difficult to remember to tuck my shirt in," said freshman Ivan Cox.

Other transitions included tougher classes and higher expectations, but along with these came a new sense of freedom and responsibility.

by Ian Furman

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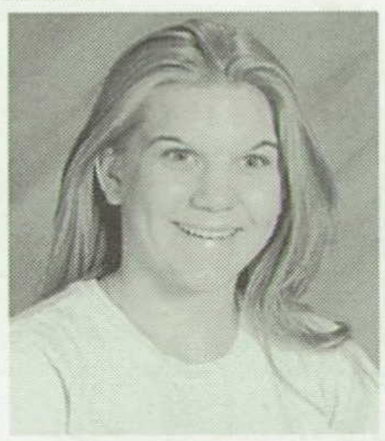

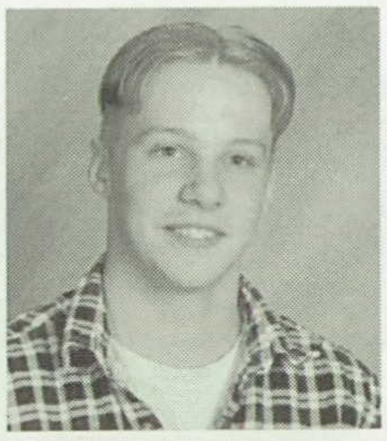
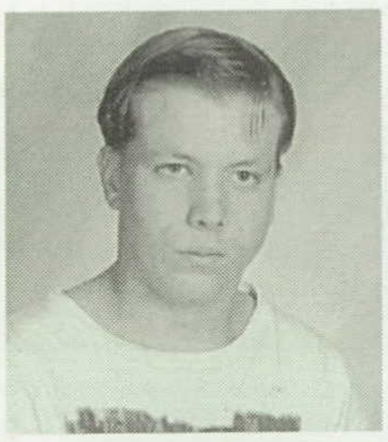
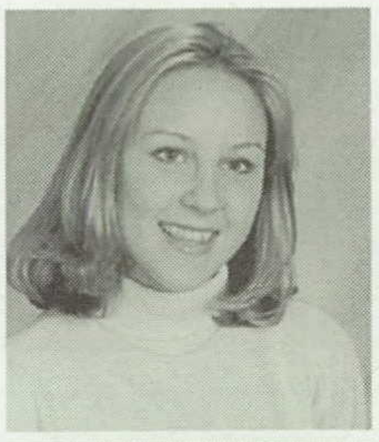

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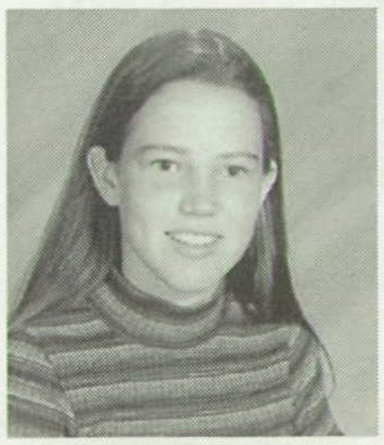
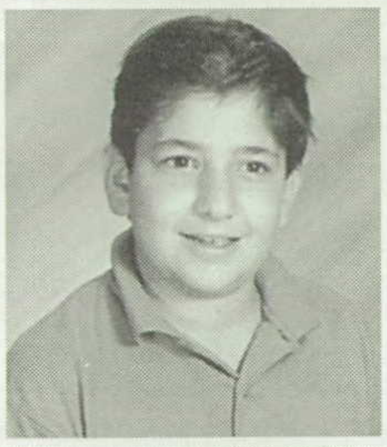
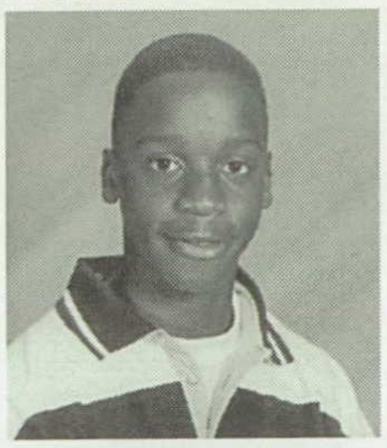
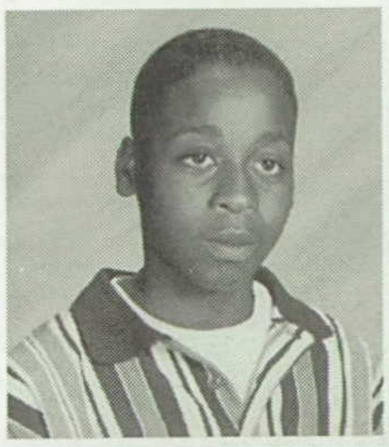
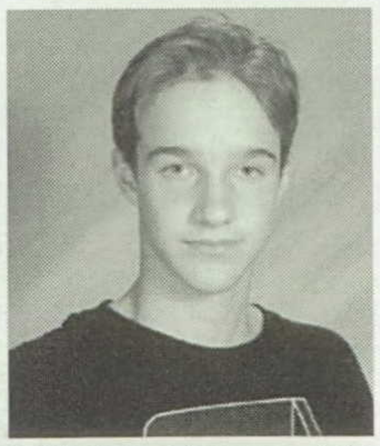

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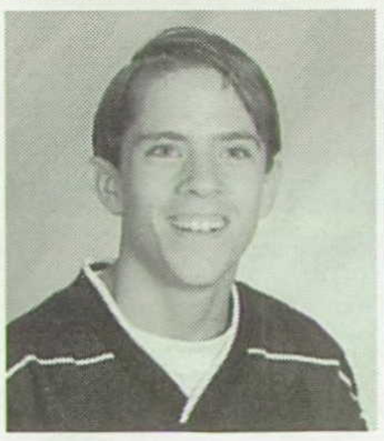
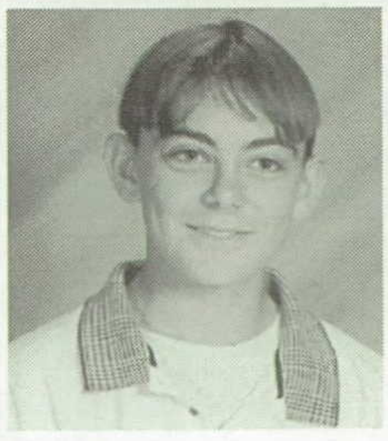
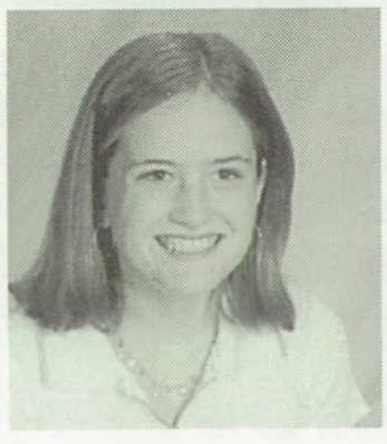
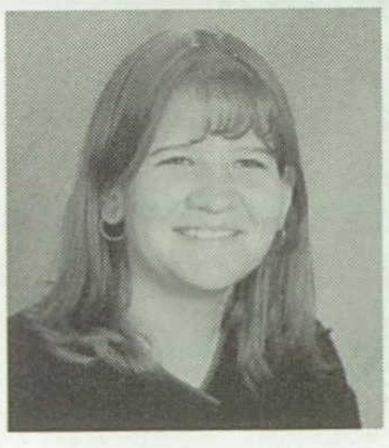
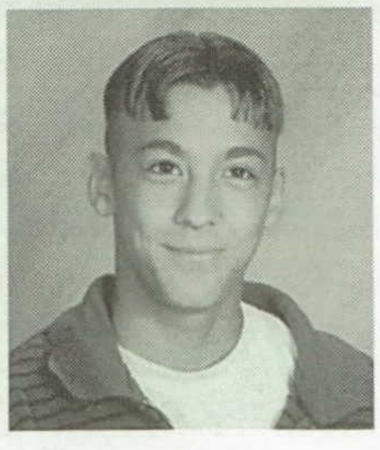

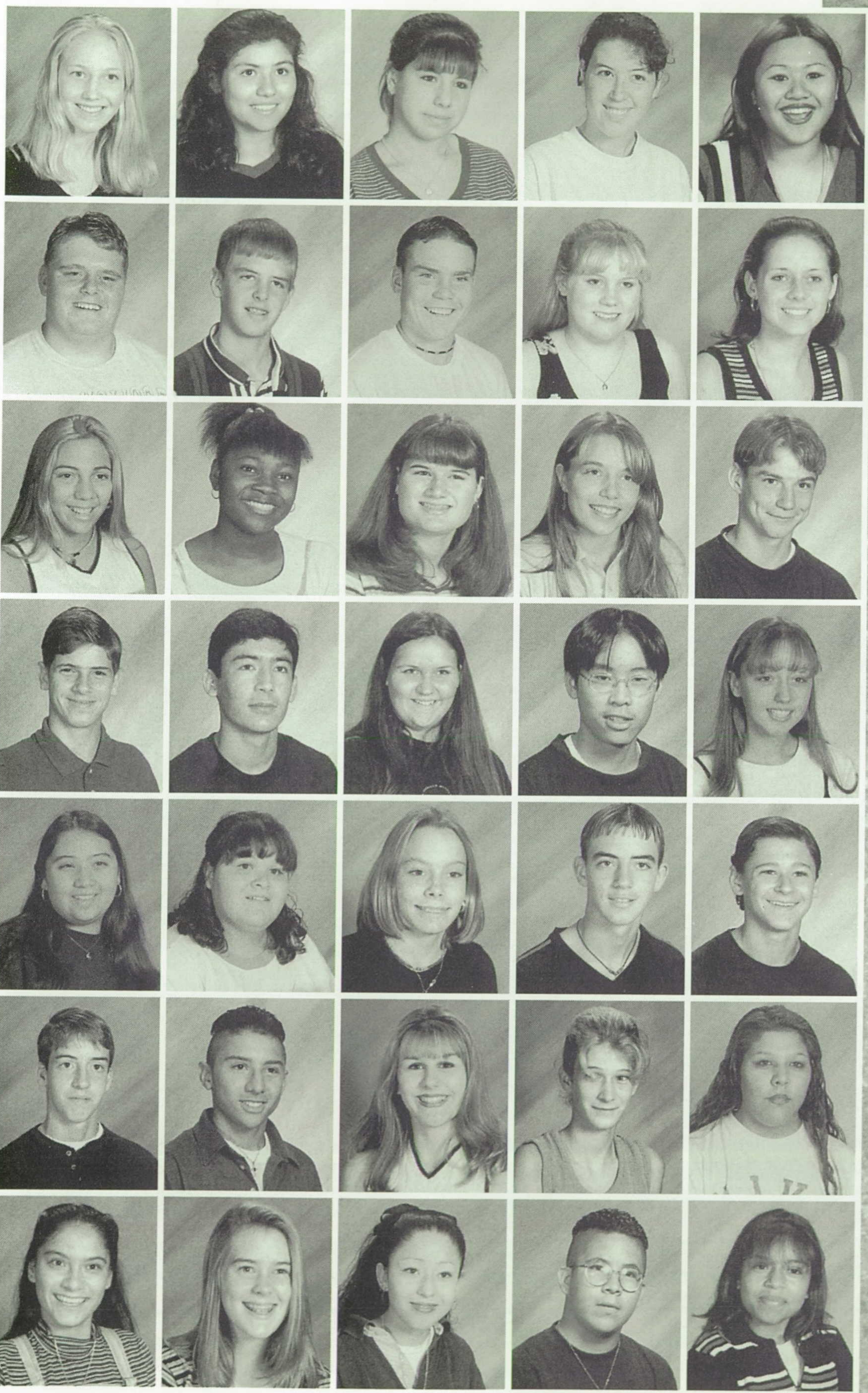

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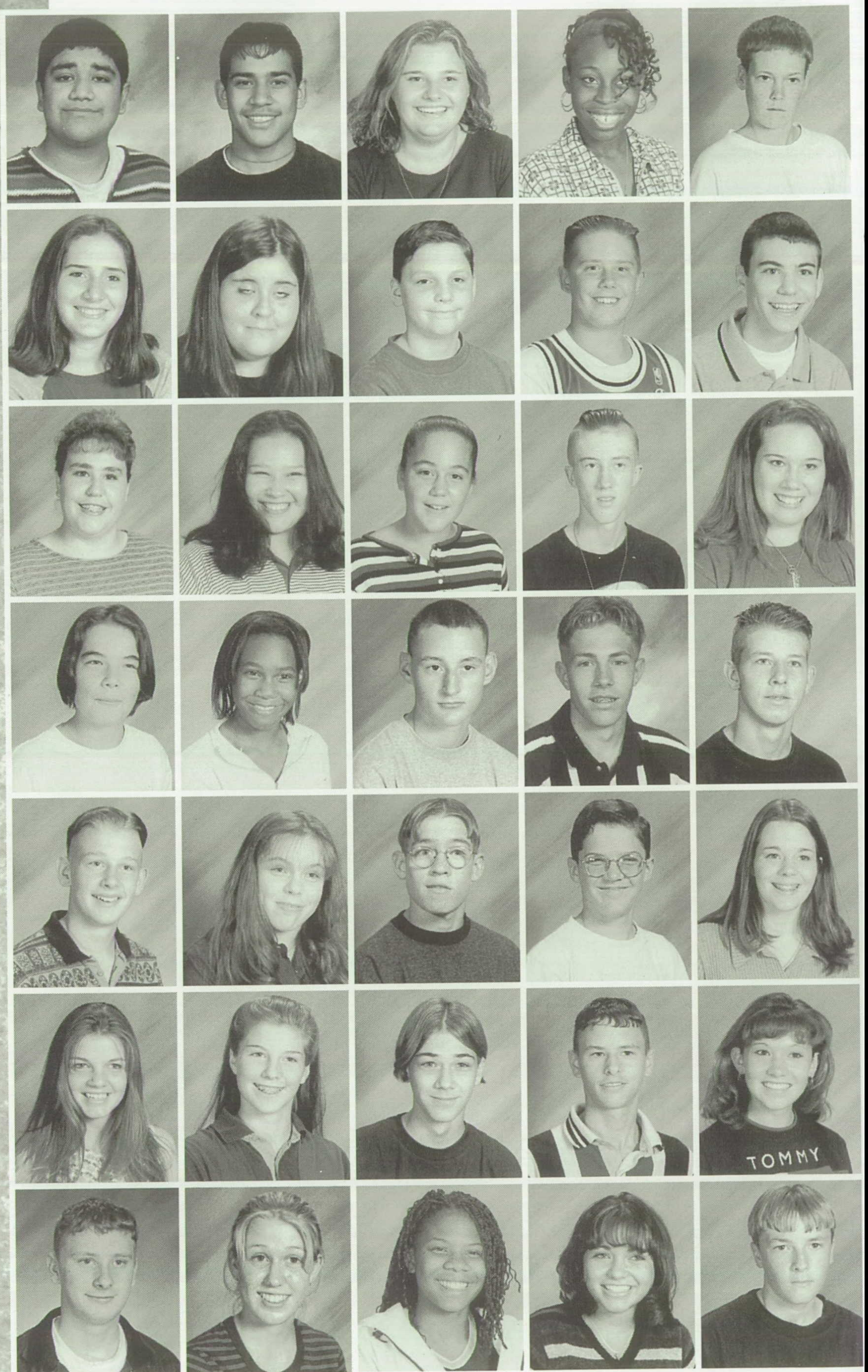


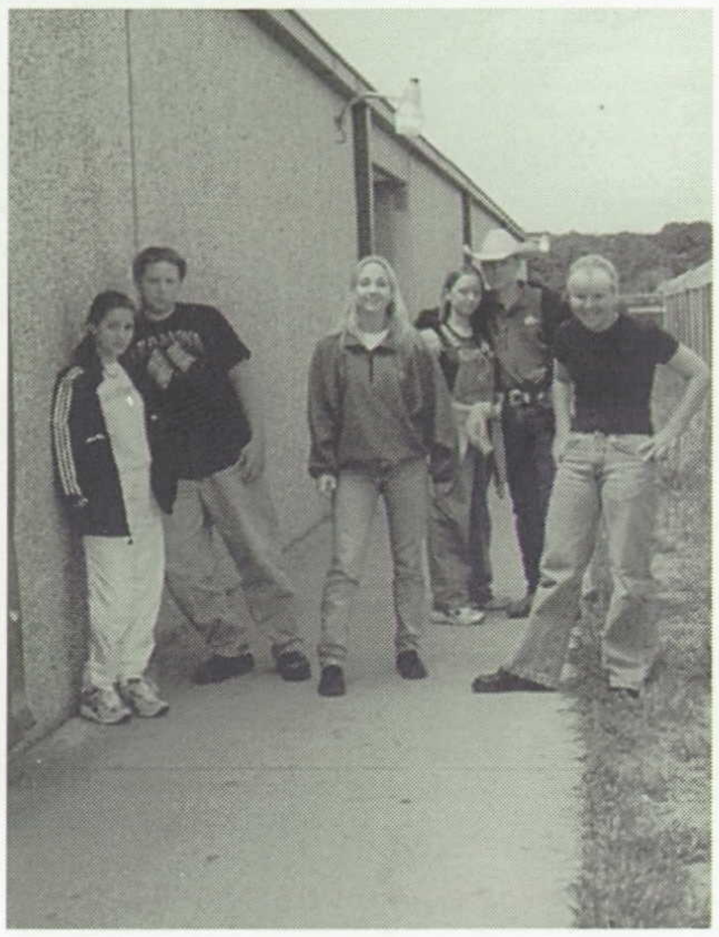
FRESHMEN WITH attitude

Being a freshman meant experiencing some of the greatest stresses. They were constantly trying to establish their own identity and find their niche in life.

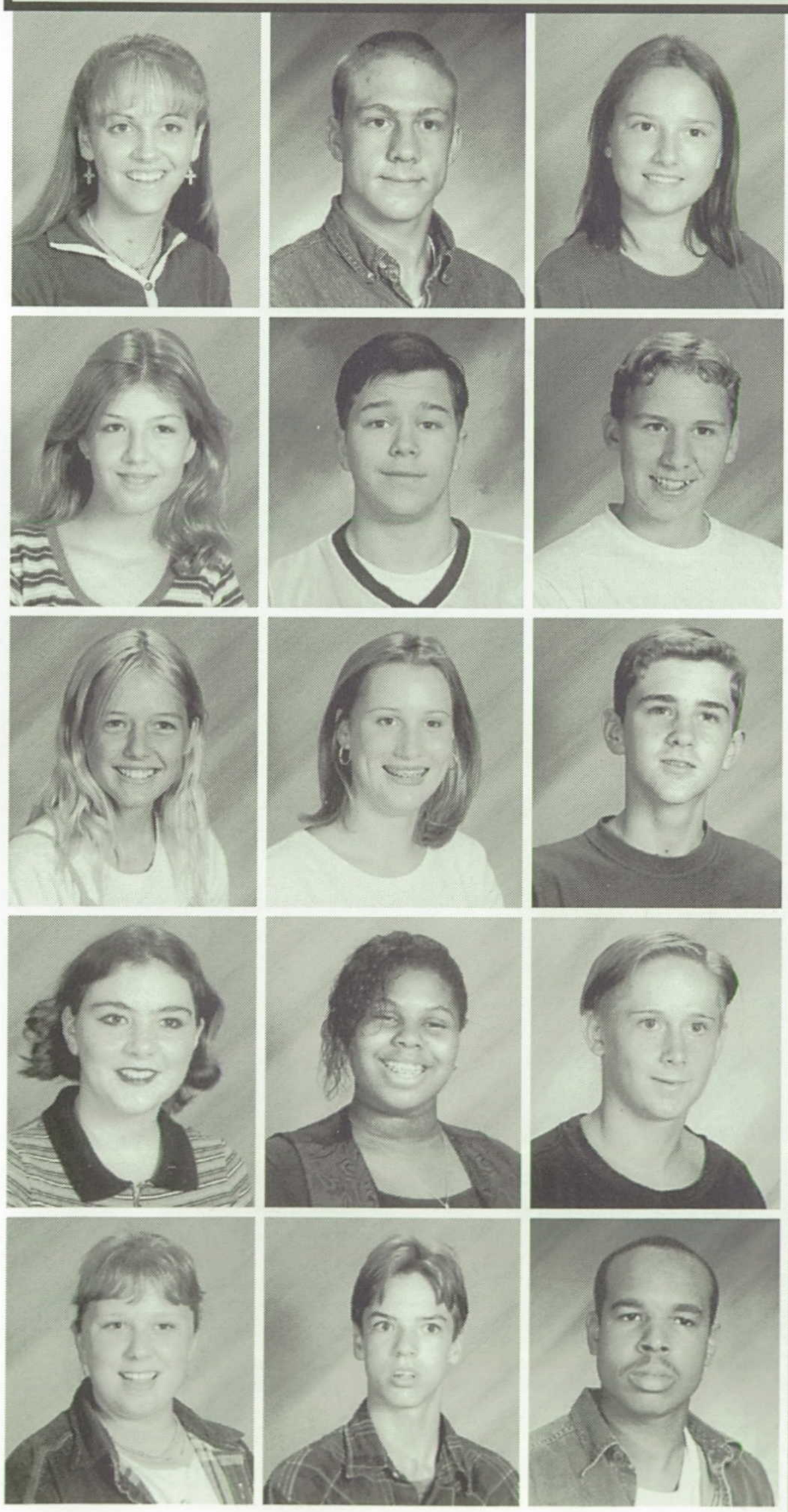
They encountered pressures to be athletic and smart or to be popular and funny. Some freshmen may have felt overwhelmed at times to be what was ideal to them, but no matter how they saw it, it was their attitude that really made the difference. Freshman Robyn Bednar recalled, "I have had a blast this year, especially playing volleyball and running track. It has been great!"

Many freshmen agreed that keeping a positive attitude helped them survive their first year of high school. Feeling free to be yourself and having fun was what it was all about.

by Ian Furman



Freshmen Melanie Bartee, Jeromy Schweitzer, Amanda Carter, Shanna Nickens, Ivan Cox and Robyn Bednar are stress free as they make their way to their eighth period class. They were resilient, maintaining their positive attitudes throughout the year.



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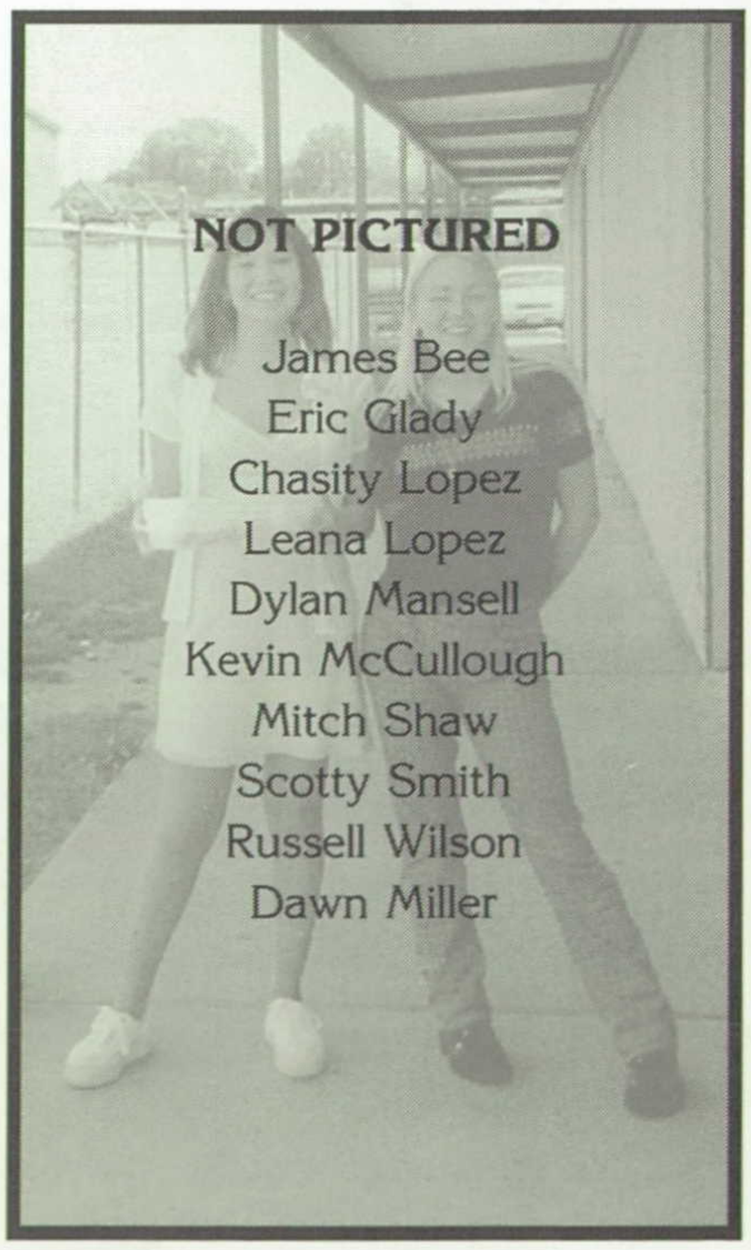

NOT PICTURED

James Bee
Eric Glady
Chasity Lopez
Leana Lopez
Dylan Mansell
Kevin McCullough
Mitch Shaw
Scotty Smith
Russell Wilson
Dawn Miller

LOOKING OUT FOR YOU

THE FACULTY

They were teachers, principals, secretaries, sponsors, coaches, colleagues and friends. They all chose to be here and liked what they did. They assisted in the development of young adults and enjoyed watching them grow. They worked after hours and weekends, giving their all. The ultimate reward for them was watching the students succeed and achieve their goals. Knowing that they may have played a small part in a students' success was enough for them. They were a dedicated team. They were the faculty.

Faculty members sport their new denim shirts on spirit day. They all had a sense of humor and this time it was at Mr. Farmer's expense.

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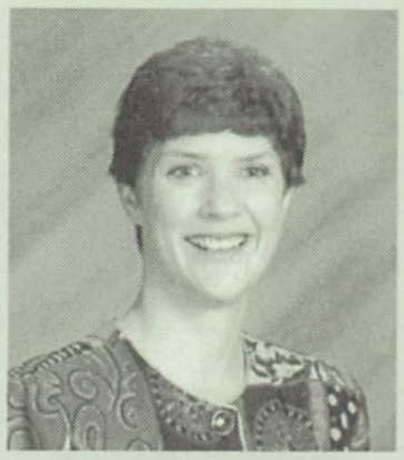
Academic Counselor



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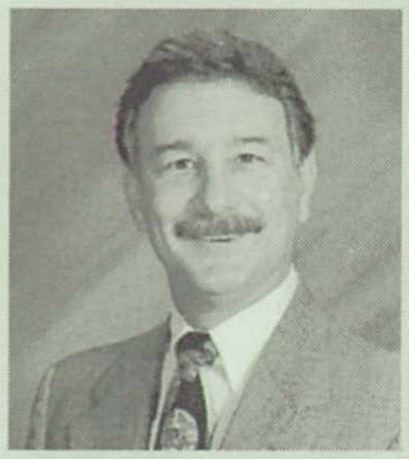
Assistant Principal



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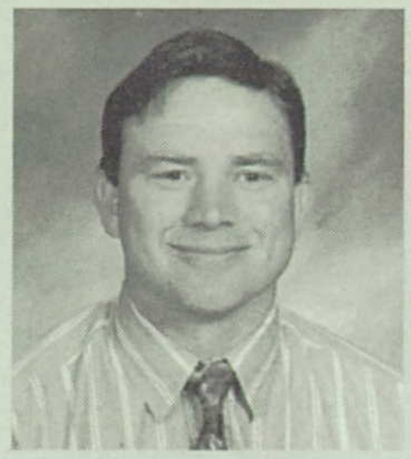

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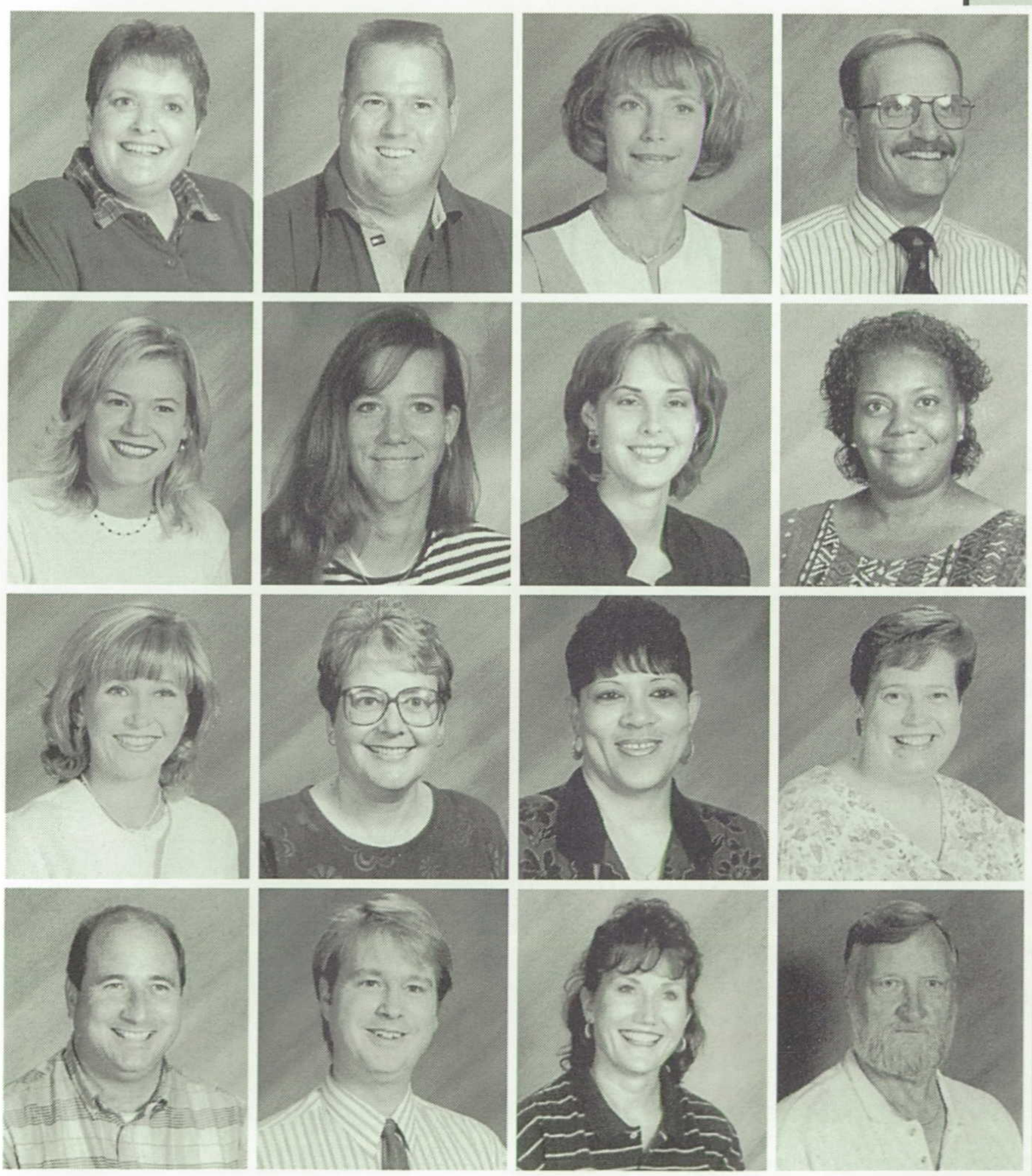


Ms. MiLena Balthrop
English I, Journalism

Mr. Jeff Barksdale
World Geography, FR Volleyball

Mrs. Debbie Beauchamp
VAC, Varsity Cheerleading

Mr. Charles Benson
Micro-computer, FBLA

Ms. Tracy Boie
Art, Yearbook

Ms. Sara Bontke
Biology, Volleyball, Track

Mrs. Elise Bruntmyer
Spanish, Foreign Language Club

Ms. Judy Castleberry
Special Education Aide

Mrs. Jennifer Castor
Special Education

Mrs. Donna Chandler
Special Education Aide

Mrs. Joan Chavis
Special Education Aide

Mrs. Pamela Crocket
CMC

Mr. Wayne Dannheim
Band

Mr. Jim Dunigan
Geometry, Pre-Calculus

Ms. Teresa Durham
World Geography, Basketball, Track, Athletic Coordinator

Mr. Lynn Easley
Construction Careers, MOCT, VICA

Mrs. Kathleen Edgar
Family Living, FHA

Mrs. Marianna Ellis
CMC

Mrs Karin Essig
P.E., Softball, JV Volleyball, FR Girls Basketball

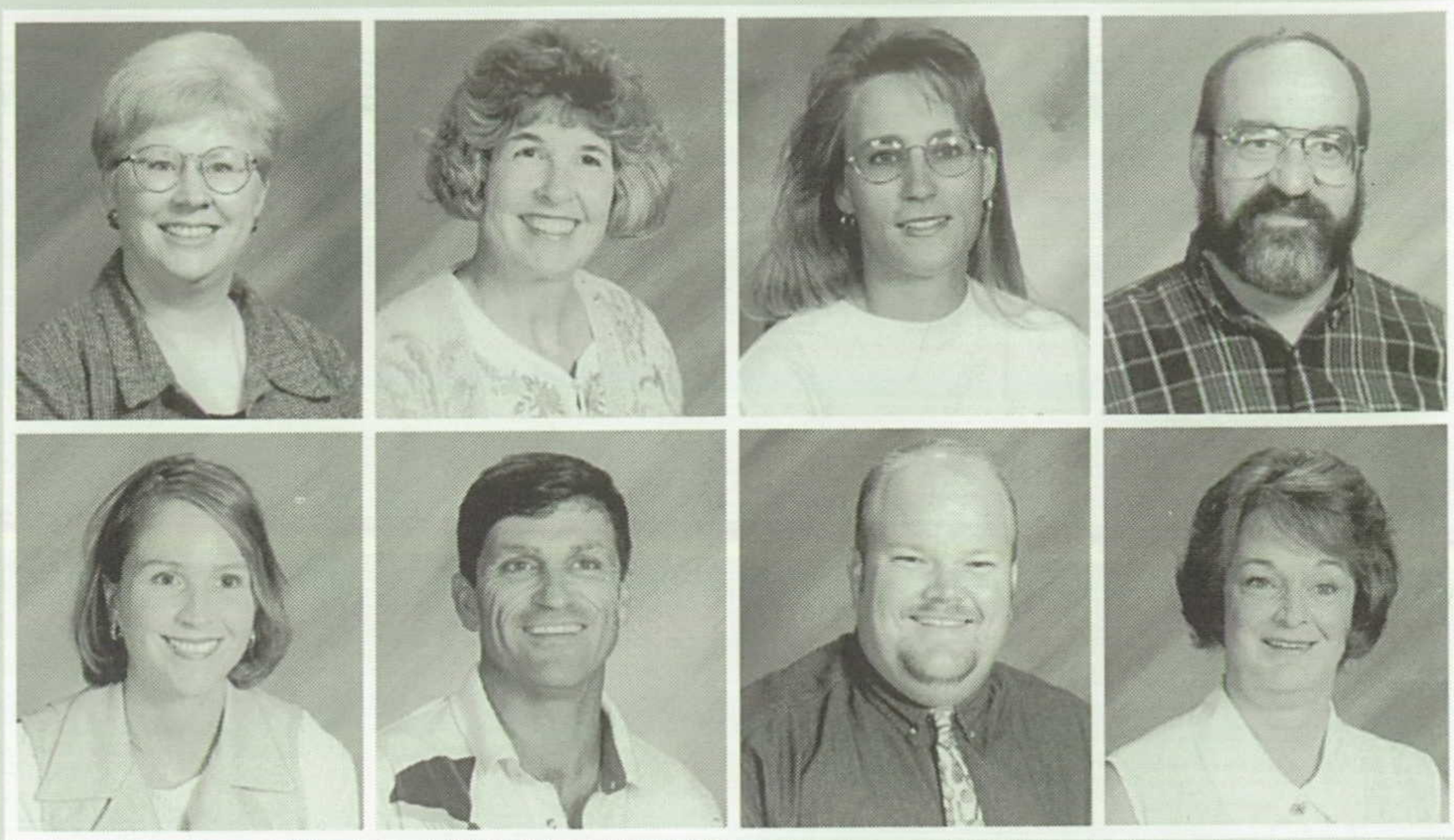
Mr. Jim Gilliam
Special Education

Ms. Aimee Grantham
Spanish, Foreign Language Club

Mr. Brad Graves
English I, JV Girls Basketball

Mr. Scotty Hale
Algebra, Geometry, JV Basketball

Ms. Ginger Hall
Data Processor



FIRST JOBS of faculty

Take a look into their past and what they did for extra money before teaching.

"I picked up peanuts and hauled them to a peanut wagon when I was five years old." *Mr. Easley*

"I was a car hop at a burger joint were the hamburgers were five for a dollar on friday nights." *Mrs. Edgar*

"I baby sat and was a hostess at Cafe Pulidos in Arlington." *Ms. Jordan*

"I was a hostess at a Bennigans in Bedford." *Ms. Grantham*

Drill Team and Cheerleading sponsors Ms. Grantham, Ms. Jordan and Mrs. Beauchamp make sure that the pep rally goes off as planned. They did an excellent job supervising these events for the students.

Mrs. Revonna Hamrick
ESL

Ms. Jean Harper
English IV

Mrs. Michelle Heath
Government, Economics, Student Council

Ms. Deborah Hinz
Physical Science, SMART

Mrs. Doris Jackson
Physics, Chemistry, NHS

Ms. Nancy Johnson
Counselor's Secretary

Ms. Rebecca Jordan
French, JV Cheerleading, Foreign Language Club

Mr. Jeff Lenzmeier
Art, PAL, Cross Country

Mr. Scott Lockhart
PE, Power Lifting

Mrs. Margie Lowery
Librarian Aide

Mr. Sean Millsap
Special Education

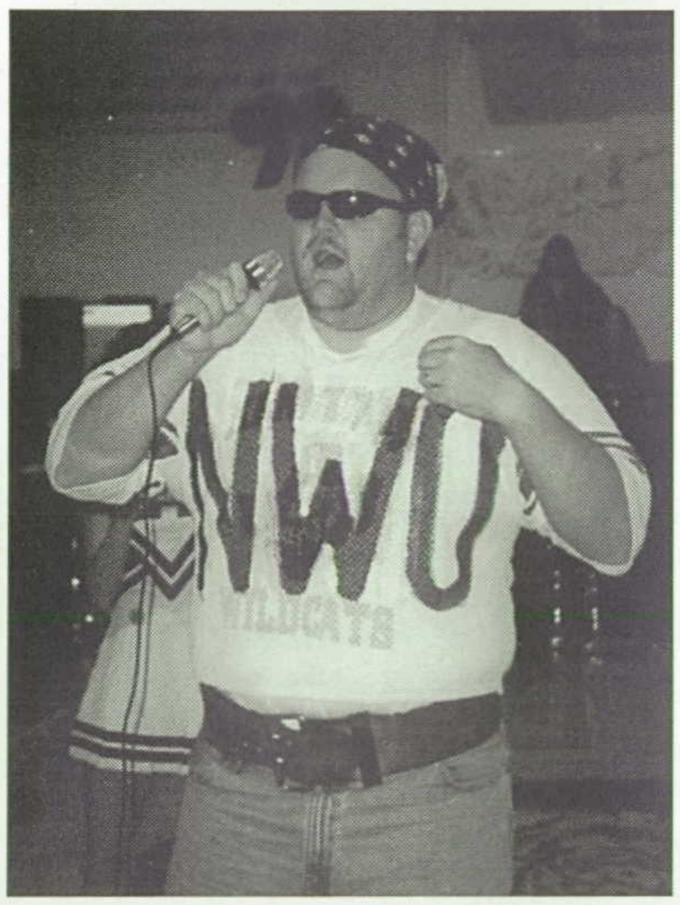
Mr. Neil Mowles
Choir, Pizzazz, Musical Theatre

Ms. Deborah Norwood
Algebra I, TAFE

Ms. Janie Patman
Nurse's Aide

Mr. Shane Perkins
English II, Basketball

Mr. Greg Peters
Geometry, FR Basketball



"I was a waitress at Joses, a mexican restaurant." *Mrs. Stevens*

"I toured with pop singer B.J. Thomas when I was fourteen years old." *Mrs. Wallis*

"I was a paper boy, delivering the Washington Post while riding my bicycle." *Coach Teague*

Before becoming a math teacher, coach and professional wrestler for the NWO, Coach Hale was a sacker at Diamond Supermarket in Bridgeport.

"I flipped burgers at McDonalds." *Coach Perkins*

"I played the piano for a small tone-deaf Presbyterian church." *Ms. Balthrop*

"I worked the drive through at a Dairy Queen." *Mrs. Watts*

"I hauled hay in junior high." *Coach Webb*

"I worked at a meat packing plant." *Mr. Dannheim*

Mr. Darrell Piske
GED

Mrs. Barbara Rawdon
Special Education Aide

Mr. Ronnie Rogers
Algebra II, Chess Club

Ms. DeAnn Rompf
Algebra I

Ms. Mona Scarborough
Librarian, SADD

Mr. Les Schubert
Biology, JV Baseball

Ms. Sheila Scott
Principal's Secretary

Mrs. Martha Sellers
ISS Assistant

Coach Schubert, Coach Trantham, Coach Webb, Coach Teague, Coach Curran and Coach Peters model the spring fashions of their choice at the student council talent show. They were often show stealers at the assemblies and pep rallies, entertaining the students and fellow faculty members with their skits and humorous performances.

Mrs. Robin Smith
Special Education Aide

Mr. Tom Solomon
Physical Science, Golf

Mr. Richard Storey
Janatorial Manager

Mr. Tim Stout
Athletic Director, Football

Mr. Jet Teague
General Career Practices, Baseball

Mr. Paul Trantham
U.S. History, JV Softball, Baseball

Mrs. Melissa Wallis
Drama, Speech, Thespians, Musical Theatre

Ms. Gina Ward
Micro-computer, Accounting

Ms. Ginny Ward
Attendance Clerk, Crime Stoppers

Mrs. Jeanette Watts
English III, First Priority

Ms. Beverly Weaver
Computer Lab Clerk

Mr. Tommy Webb
Keyboarding, Track

The faculty members line up for the buffet that was presented by Mrs. Worley's sociology class following the spring wedding ceremony. They always enjoyed indulging in catered events such as this.

Ms. Deborah Williams
ISS Coordinator

Mrs. Geri Wilson
Resource Math/English

Ms. Jackie Winters
Special Education Aide

Ms. Jeannie Woolum
English II

Mrs. Ruth Worley
U.S. History, Psychology

Mr. Charles York
Leadership, Health, Drivers Ed.

MOST MEMORABLE TEACHING experiences

"Seeing the faces of the students and children at Christmas when NHS donated toys, food and clothes to a children's home." *Mrs. Worley*

"The 1997-98 varsity basketball season and the forehead kiss from Ed (Edwina) Farmer during the 1998 Sadie Hawkins Pageant." *Coach Hale*

"On my first job coaching, my starting point guard looked at me during a time out and asked, 'Coach Durham, these plays and stuff in the game is just exactly like what we do in practice, right?'" *Coach Durham*

"Sitting in the stands with the junior class during the pep rallies this school year." *Mrs. Watts*

"Having the opportunity to teach at the high school that I graduated from and working with teachers that taught me." *Ms. Jordan*

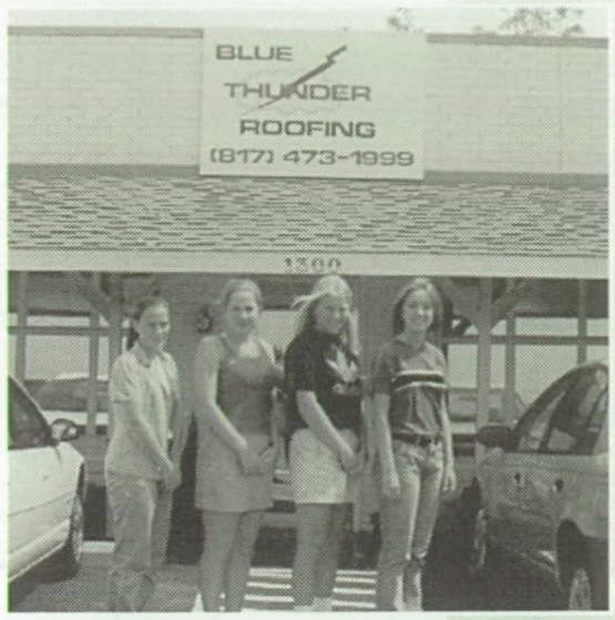
"Taking the UIL One Act Play to state competition this year and placing fourth out of two hundred and sixty-seven 3A schools." *Mrs. Wallis*

"Watching the first group of seniors that I taught graduate." *Mrs. Heath*

"Restructuring the yearbook program this year while attempting to complete this book at the same time." *Ms. Boie*

"Having the opportunity to organize, teach and rehearse the 1996-97 and 1997-98 All-State Percussion section for the Association of Texas Small Schools Band." *Mr. Dannheim*

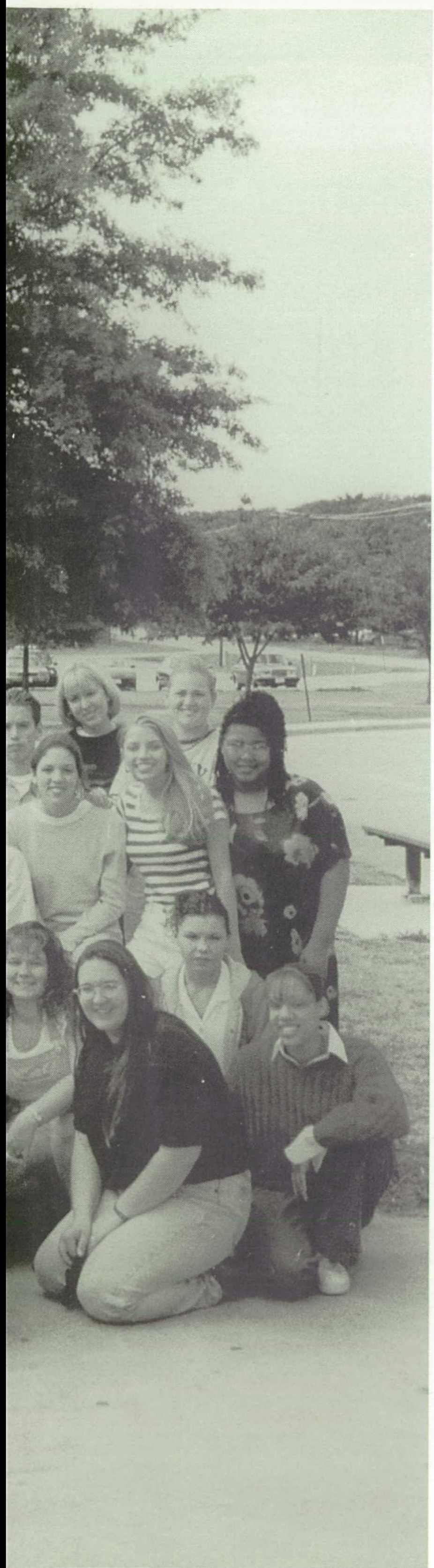
Yearbook staff members Jackie Casbeer, Stephenie Keeton, Heather Schulze and Lindsay Kegans are familiar faces to local businesses. They were instrumental in ensuring that all sales goals were met.



Juniors Ashley Bullard, Loree Kovach, Misti Biondi and Rebecca Wynalda enjoy their off campus lunch while eating at Subway on Little Road.

The yearbook staff has a commercial account with Eckerd drug store at Green Oaks Plaza. They assisted in the development of the majority of the photos printed in this book.

Four Sisters Home Furnishings in Kennedale supported the yearbook this year. Ad sales team Trisha O'Conner and Jodie Reagan sold their ad space in addition to many others.



Advertisements

The following pages were the most important, for without them this book would not have been possible. Persistent yearbook staff members worked hard to meet and surpass all sales expectations. They gained public relation and marketing skills while essentially managing a business and making ends meet. Thanks to the extraordinary support of the community businesses and the diligent efforts of the staff members, a bigger, better yearbook was produced that Kennedale could be proud of. So don't just glance at the advertisements, but take a closer look at those that played an essential role in the publication of this book.

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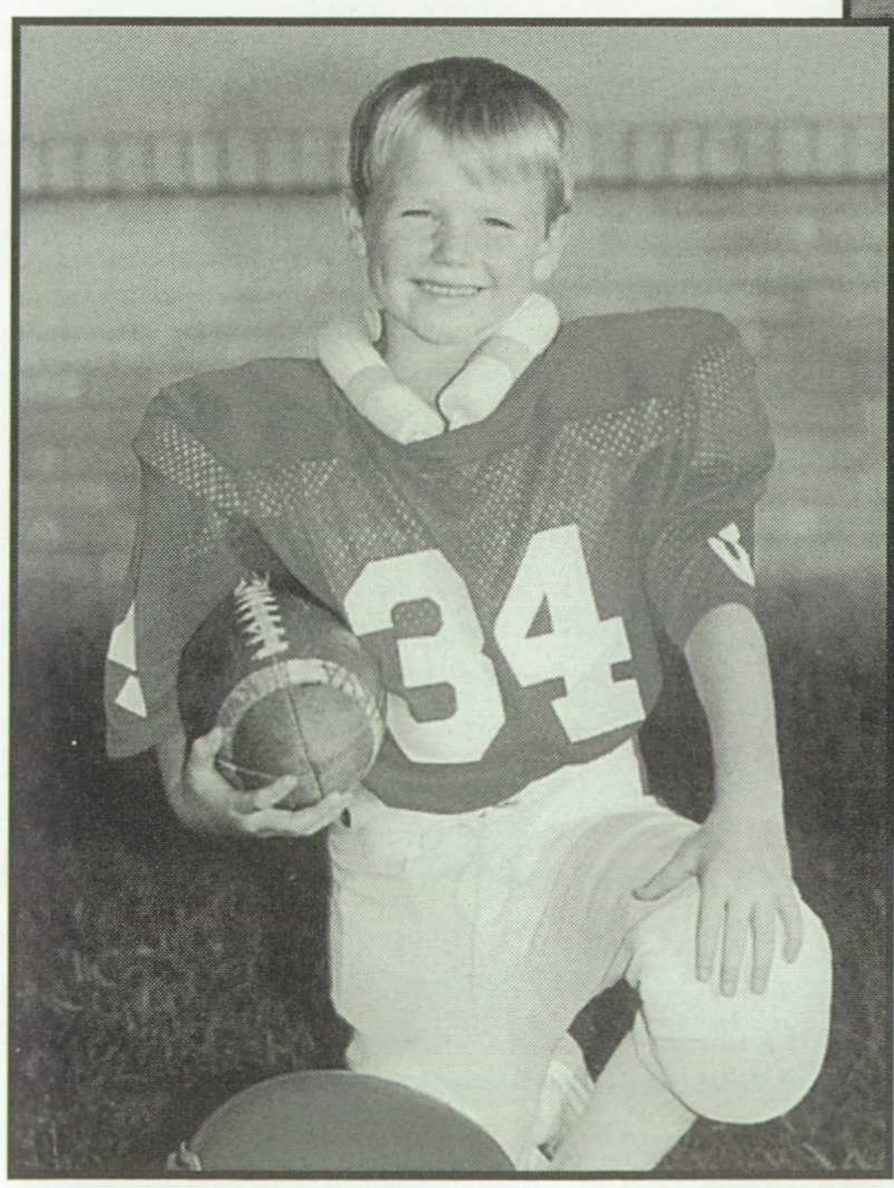
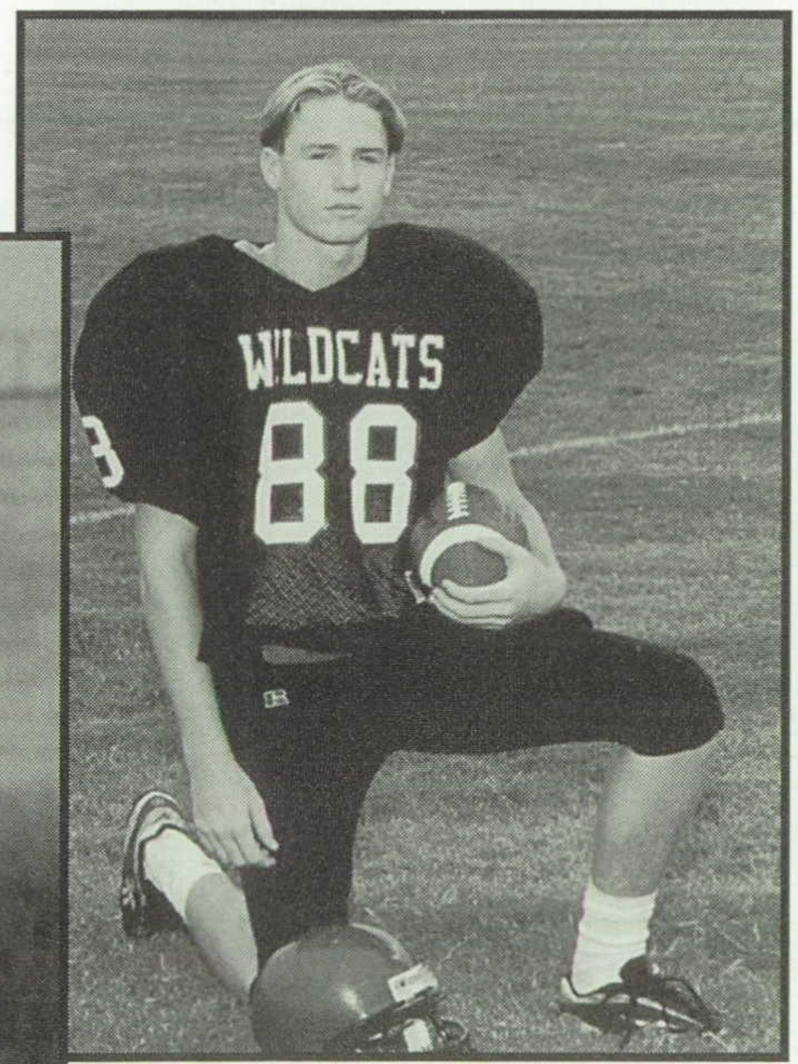
You have grown up to become a remarkable young man. We hope all of your dreams come true. If you keep your eyes on the LORD you can do anything! We wish you only the BEST OF LIFE!

Love,
Mom and Dad
Brian





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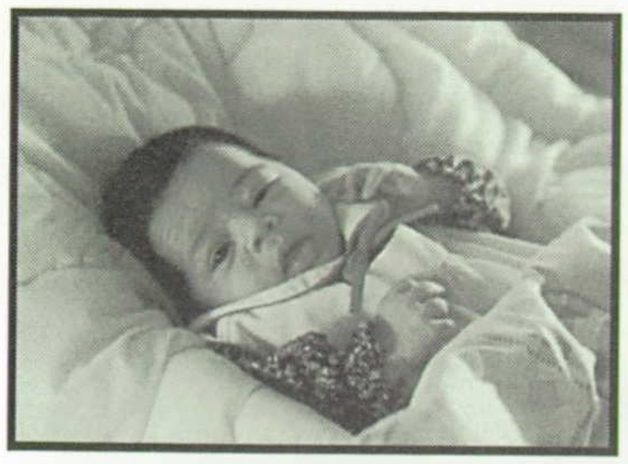
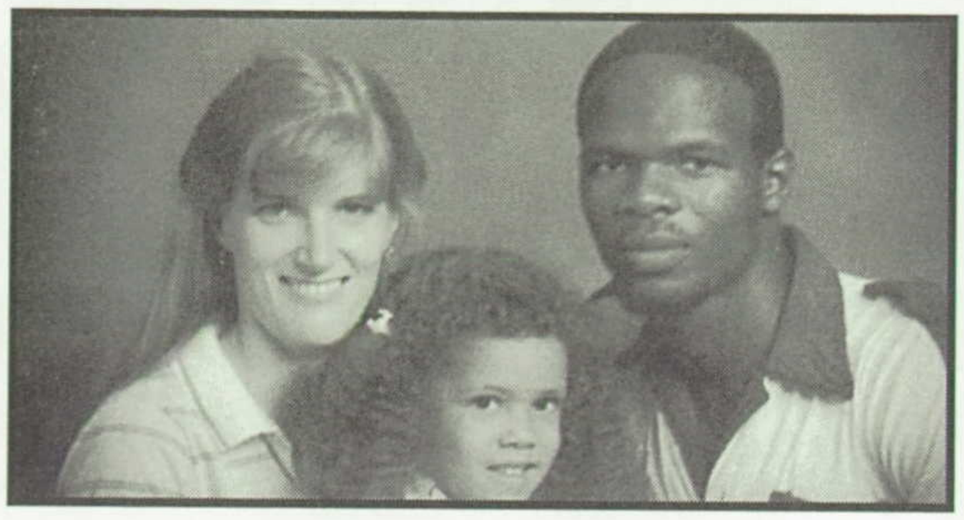
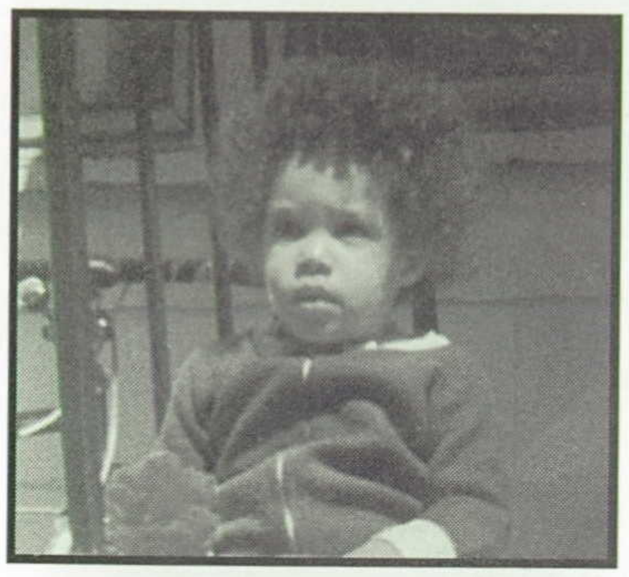
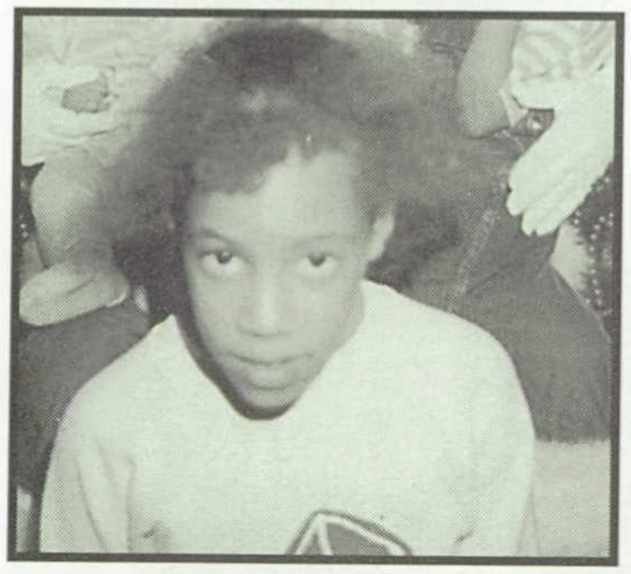
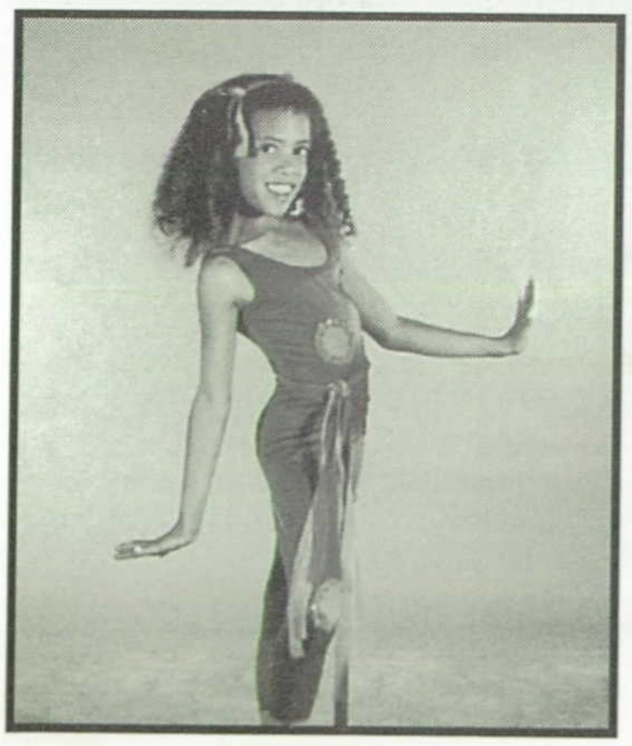


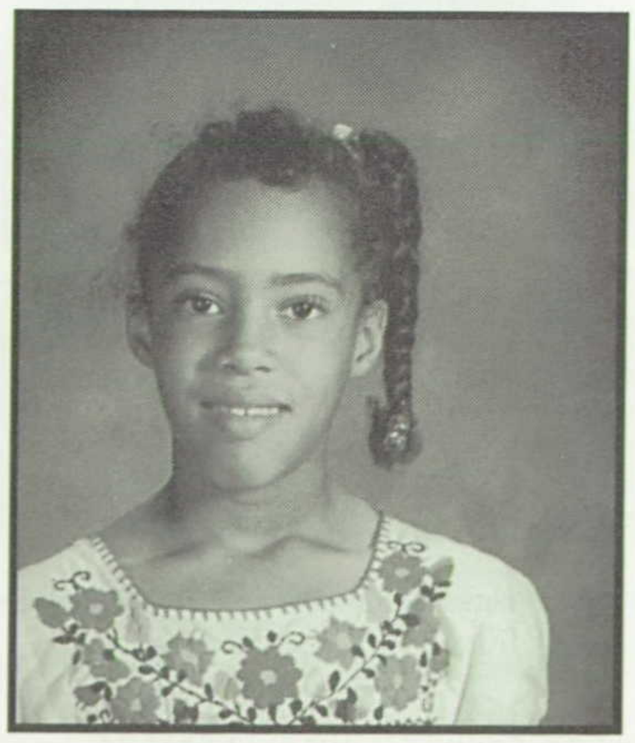




In 1980, you came to us
a beautiful young girl,
so full of trust.
From girl to woman,
you grew over time.
The choices you made
gave us peace of mind.
Together with love and
admiration,
we would like to say,
we are so proud of your
graduation.
Love always,
Mom and Dad



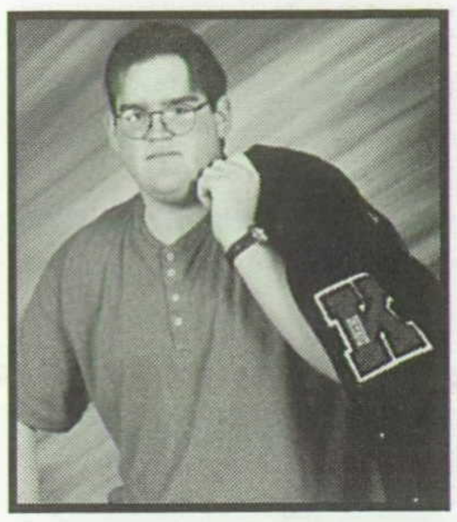




Tim,

I am so proud of you. You have grown up to be quite a young man. I will always love you no matter what. Your Paw Paw Hill would have been very proud of his "Timmy Jack". Love, Mom

Tim Layne



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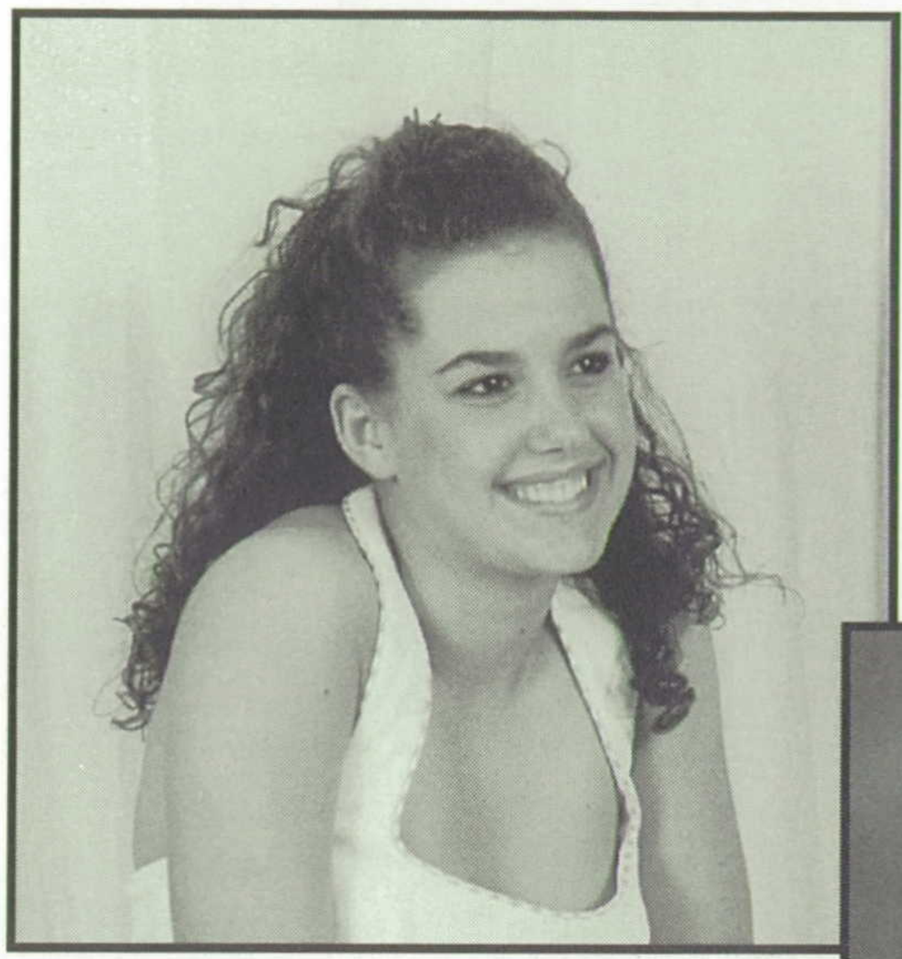
It is with pride, happiness and love that we have watched you grow up into a bright and beautiful young lady. Our memories of the last eighteen years will be cherished forever in our hearts.

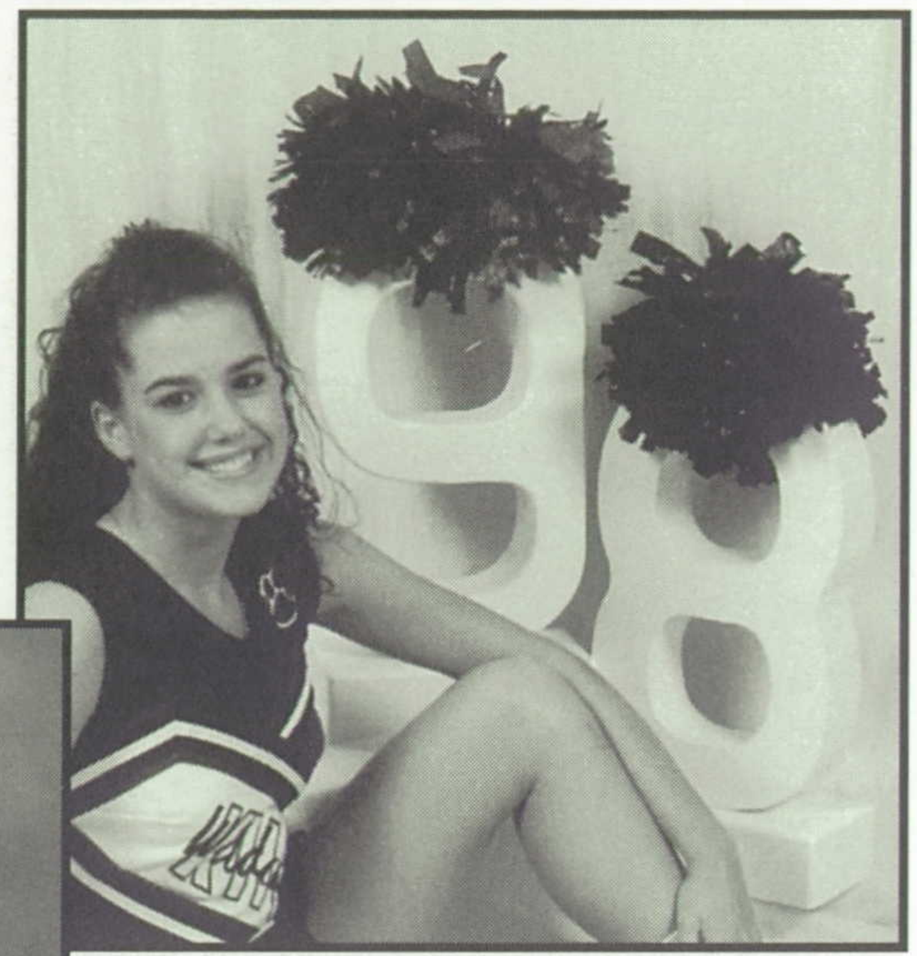
Believe in yourself and follow your dreams.

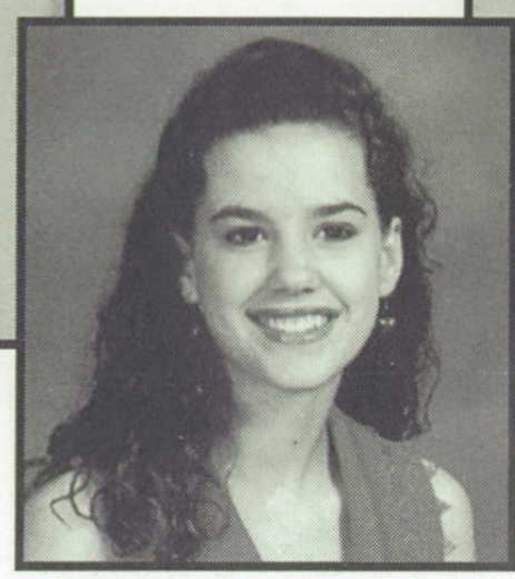
Love Always,
Mom and Dad
Chief, Harley
and Davidson

Into turning my granddaughter into a lovely young lady,
What beautiful memories you have given your family
Of that tiny baby who entered our lives eighteen years ago
Bringing so much joy through the years to all of us
And now as adulthood approaches, we give you all
Our love, best wishes and blessings for the future.
Aunt Sandy, Uncle Chuck, Jim, Wendy, Carrie
Aunt Sue, Scott, Brian, Uncle Dan And Your Nana

Heidi Golden







Heidi,

You have come a long way from our shy little girl to the mature young lady that you are today. You can do and be anything you want in life. You have already shown us a great sampling. The world is out there waiting, and watch out, because here you come.

You have already made us very proud. We know you will succeed in all of your pursuits.

Love always,
Mom and Dad
Heather, Holly and Hailey

Misti Retzlaff

Congratulations Misti!
We are so proud of you. You have gone from our precious "Little Pumpkin," to a beautiful young lady. We are always here for you when you need us. We love you for all that you are, and all that you will be.
Love,
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Jamie

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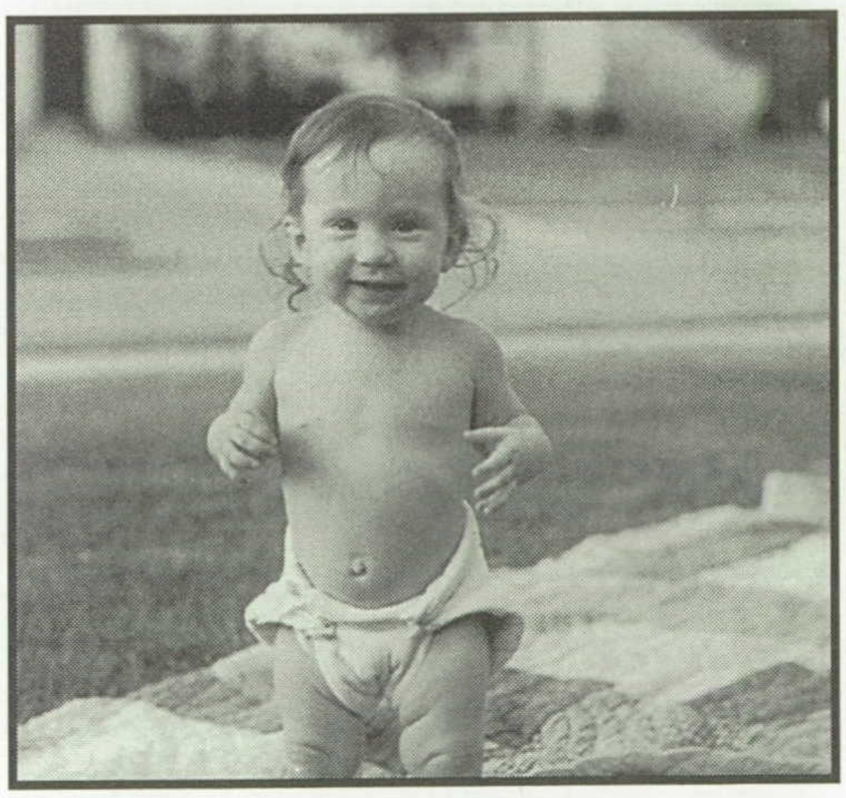
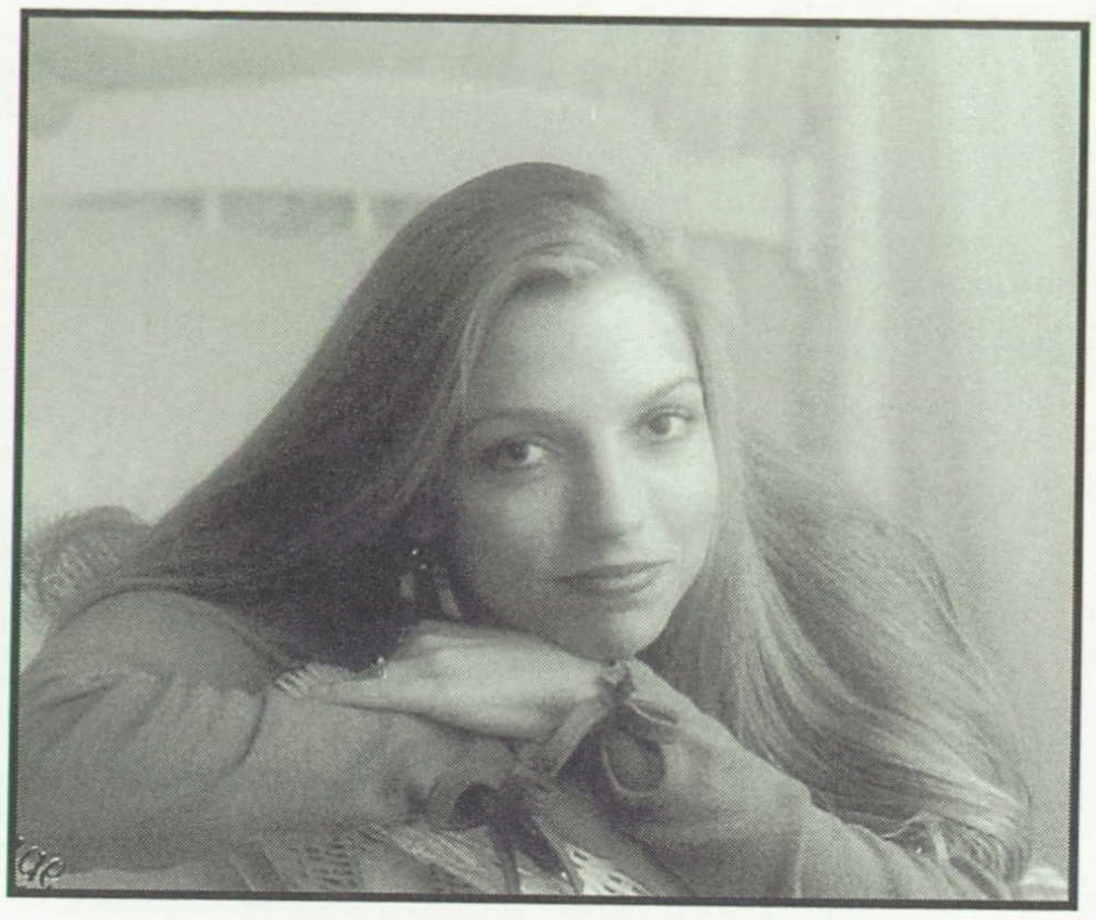
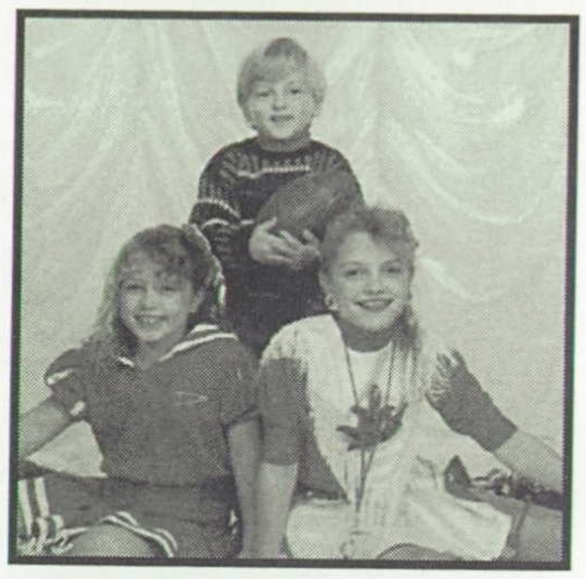


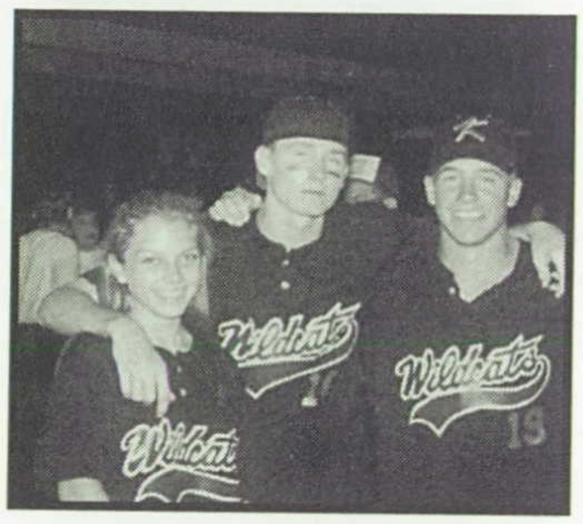
Look out world, here she comes!
We love you Karen. May the road rise up to meet you and may the Lord always hold you in the hollow of His hand.
Love,
Mom and Dad
Shari and Mike

Summer Ann Morris

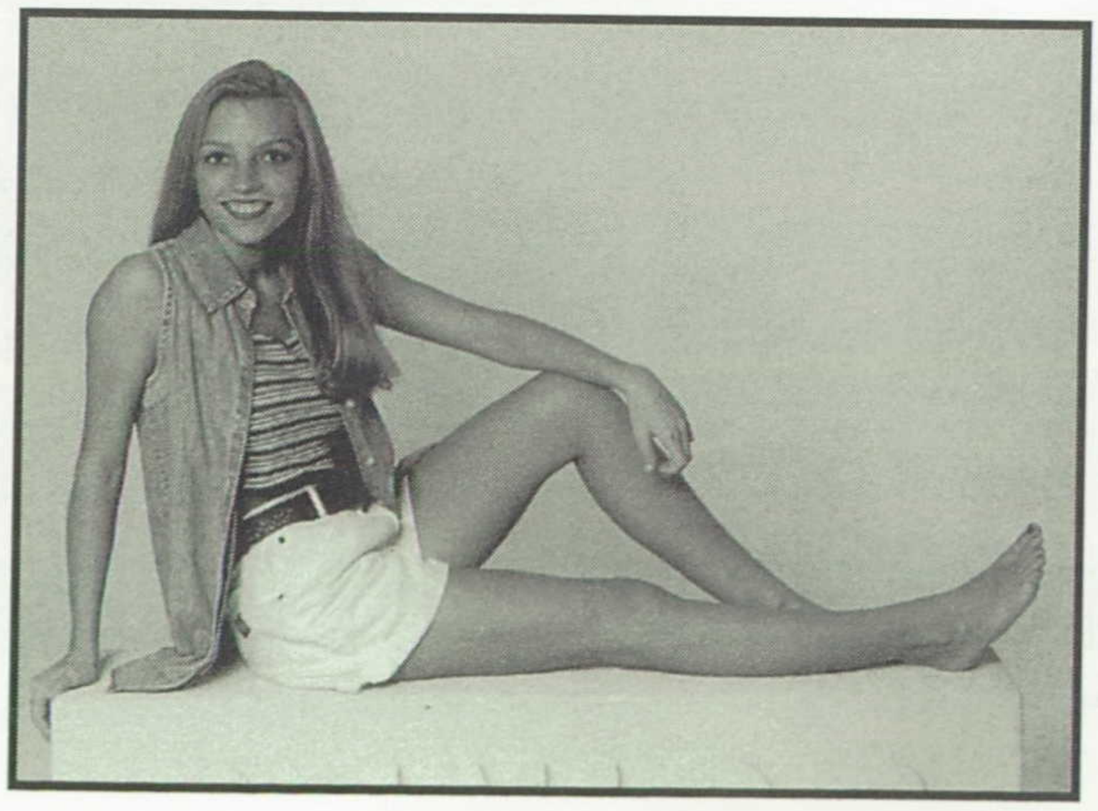


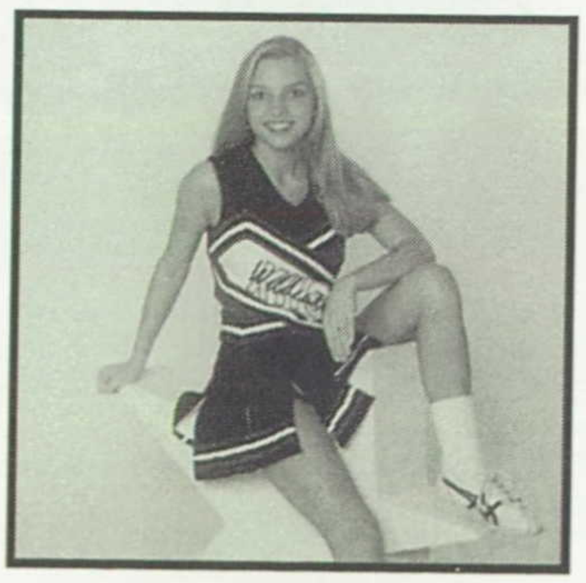


For all you have been,
for all you are,
and for all that you are yet to be.
We love you very much.
Love,
Mom and Dad



Before you were born, I imagined all the wonderful things that I would teach you about your life. I never imagined that you would have even more wonderful things to teach me. Summer, you have been one of the greatest gifts life has given me.
I love you, Mom





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Heather King

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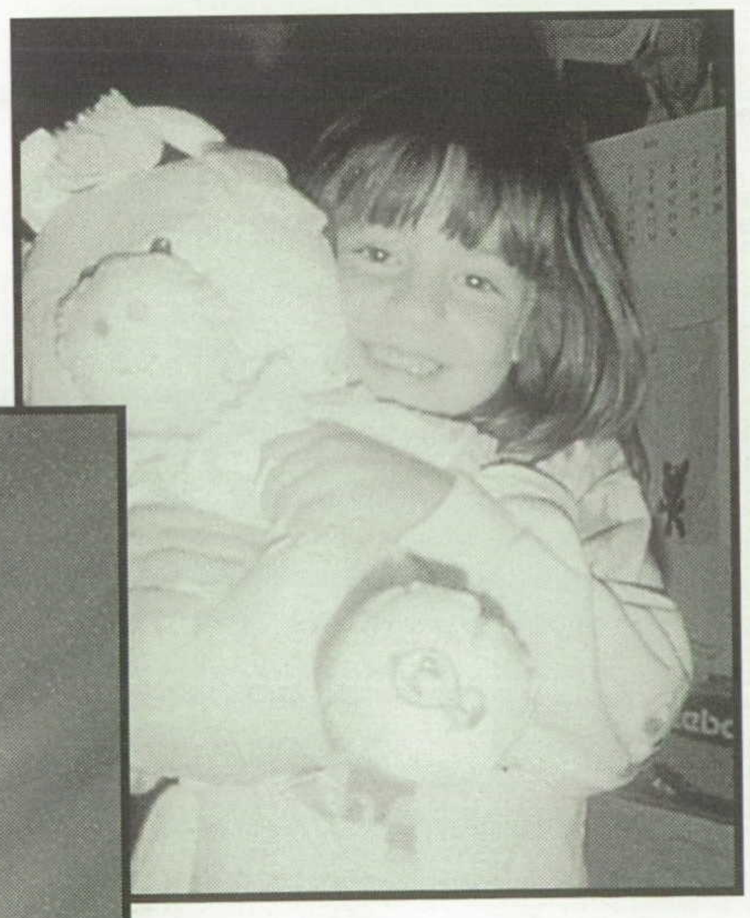
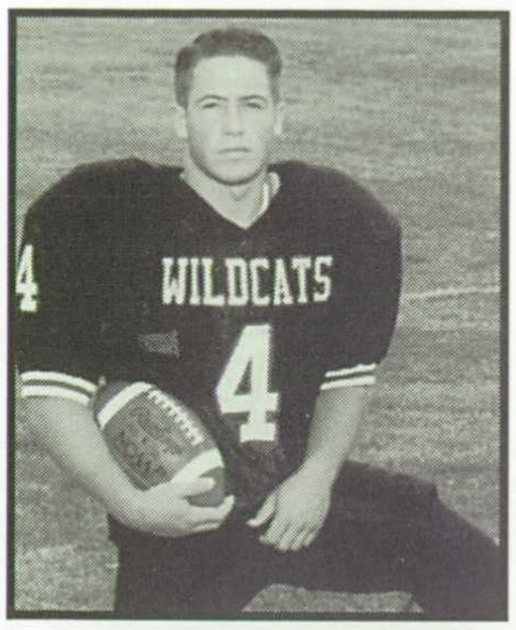
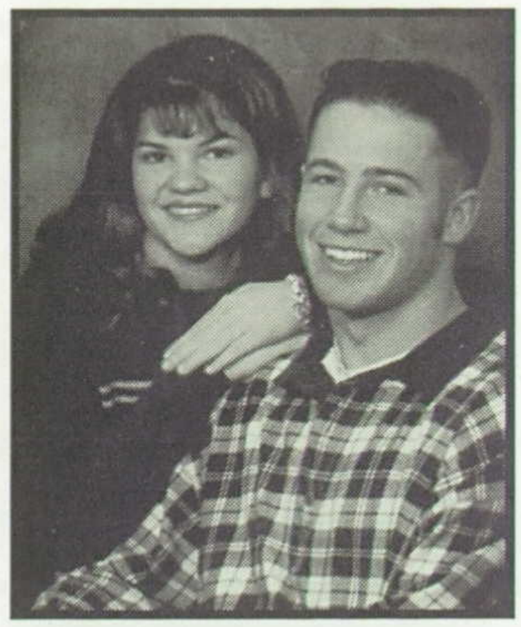
and when you have gotten way too hyper.
We have known you with blue or green hair
and all those crazy things you wear.
Though we have not always seen eye to eye,
you have made us so proud that we could cry!



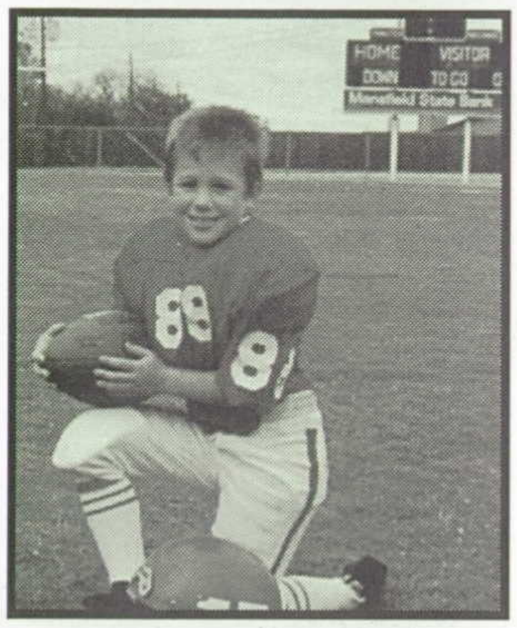
Jason Greenfield

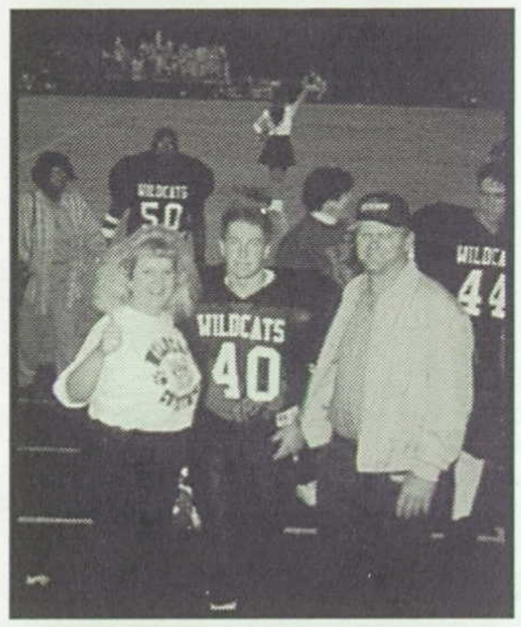




Hey, #4, we think you are great
And we are so proud of you.
You do your best and give your all
In everything you do.

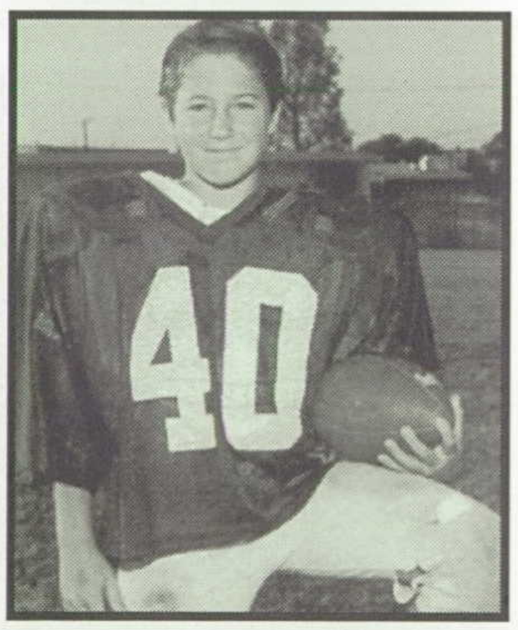
We have watched you grow up playing sports
It was fun to watch you play.
And when you gave it all you had
It really made our day.

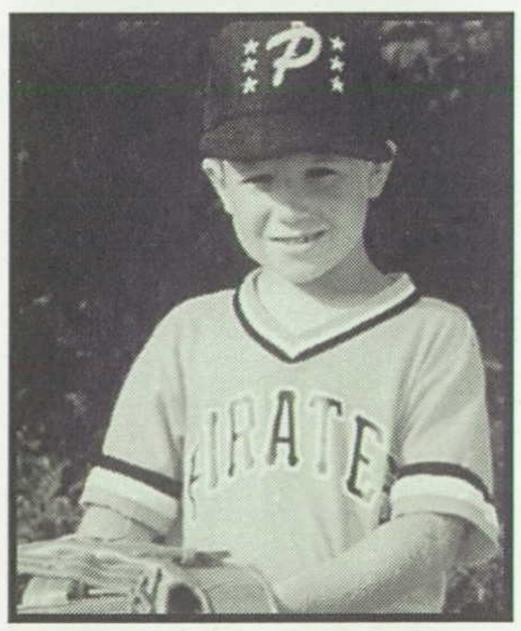




At school you are known as "Greenie"
You are a "Kennedale Wildcat."
You love the game of baseball
Whether catching or up to bat.

You played your best in football
You loved the game right from the start.
You tackled on the defense
You used your body, mind and heart.



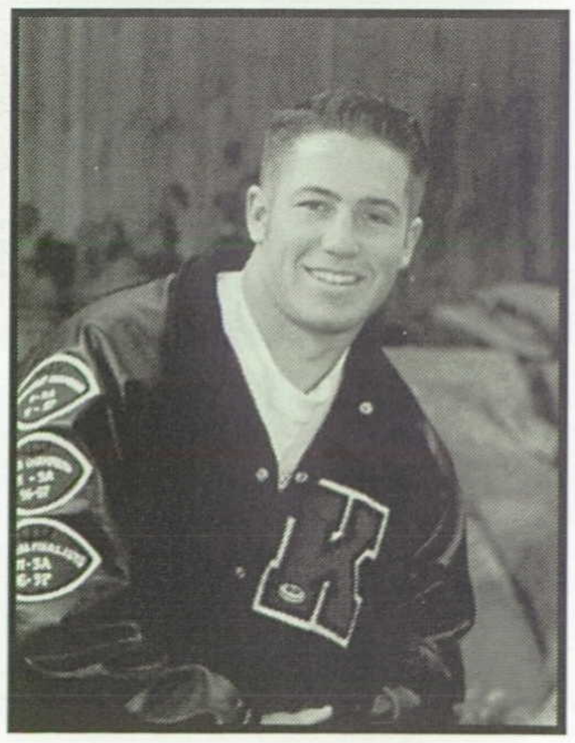


You started out our little boy
Now you are a fine young man.
And you will succeed in what you do
We all know that you can.

Now here it is, your senior year
And we want you to know
That we will always be here
No matter where you go.

So go out there and do your best
But have fun along the way.
"Best wishes" and "Good luck to you"
Is what we want to say.

Love Always,
Mom and Dad
Joni



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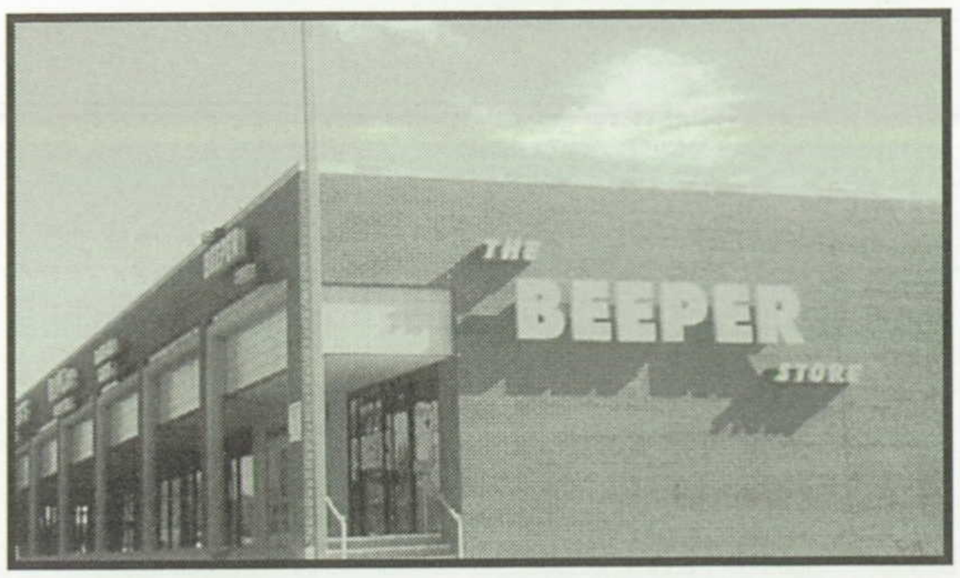

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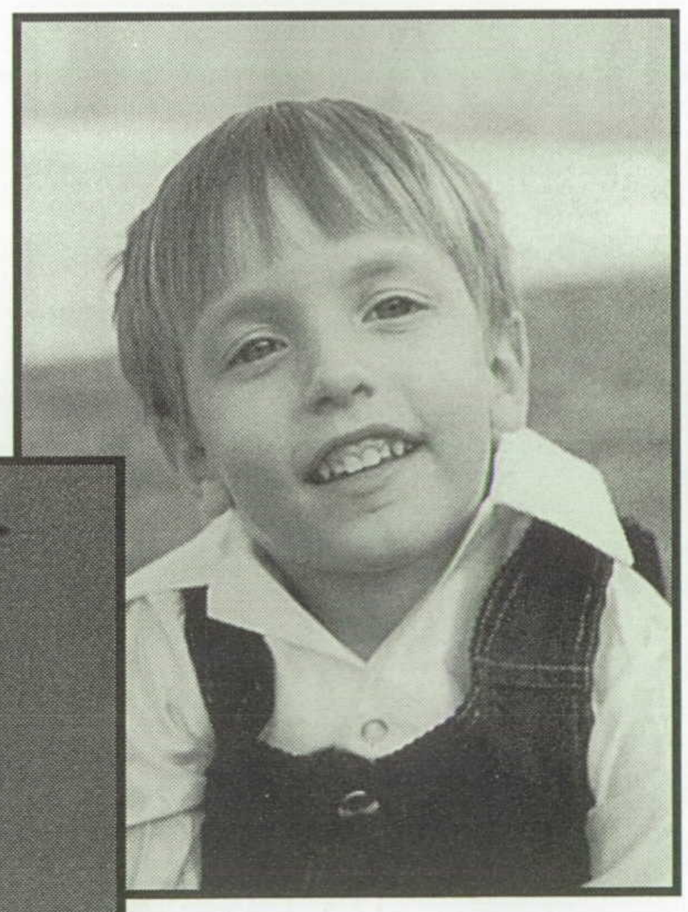
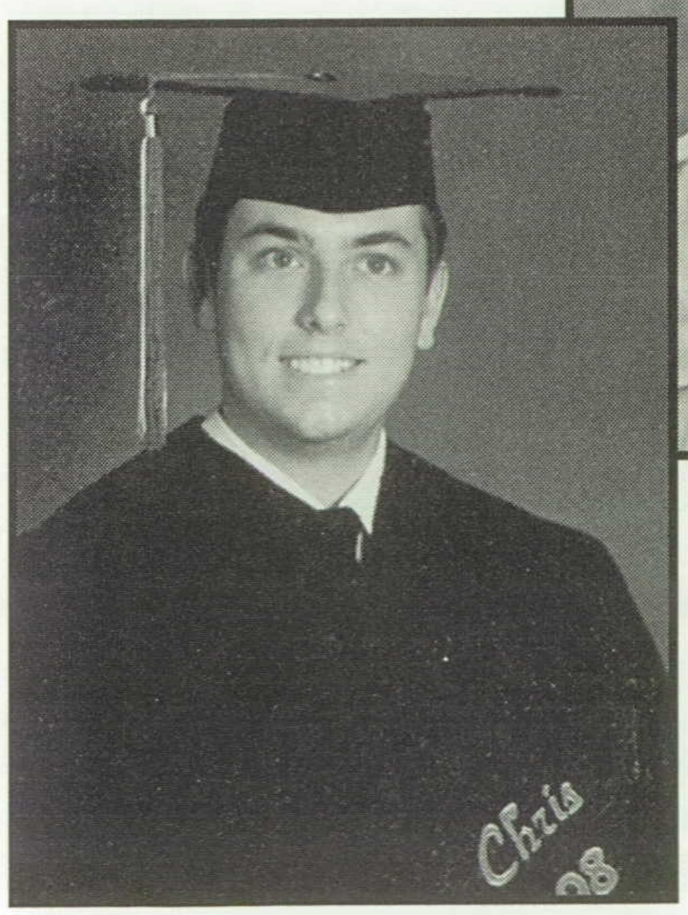
Chris Baker

Before you were conceived, we wanted you.
Before you were born, we loved you.
Before you were here an hour, we would die for you.
You are our miracle of love.

When you were small and just a touch away, we covered you with blankets against the cool night air.
But now that you are tall and out of reach, we fold our hands and cover you with prayer.

Go into the world and do great things.
Be safe and always remember we love you.
Always,
Mom and Dad

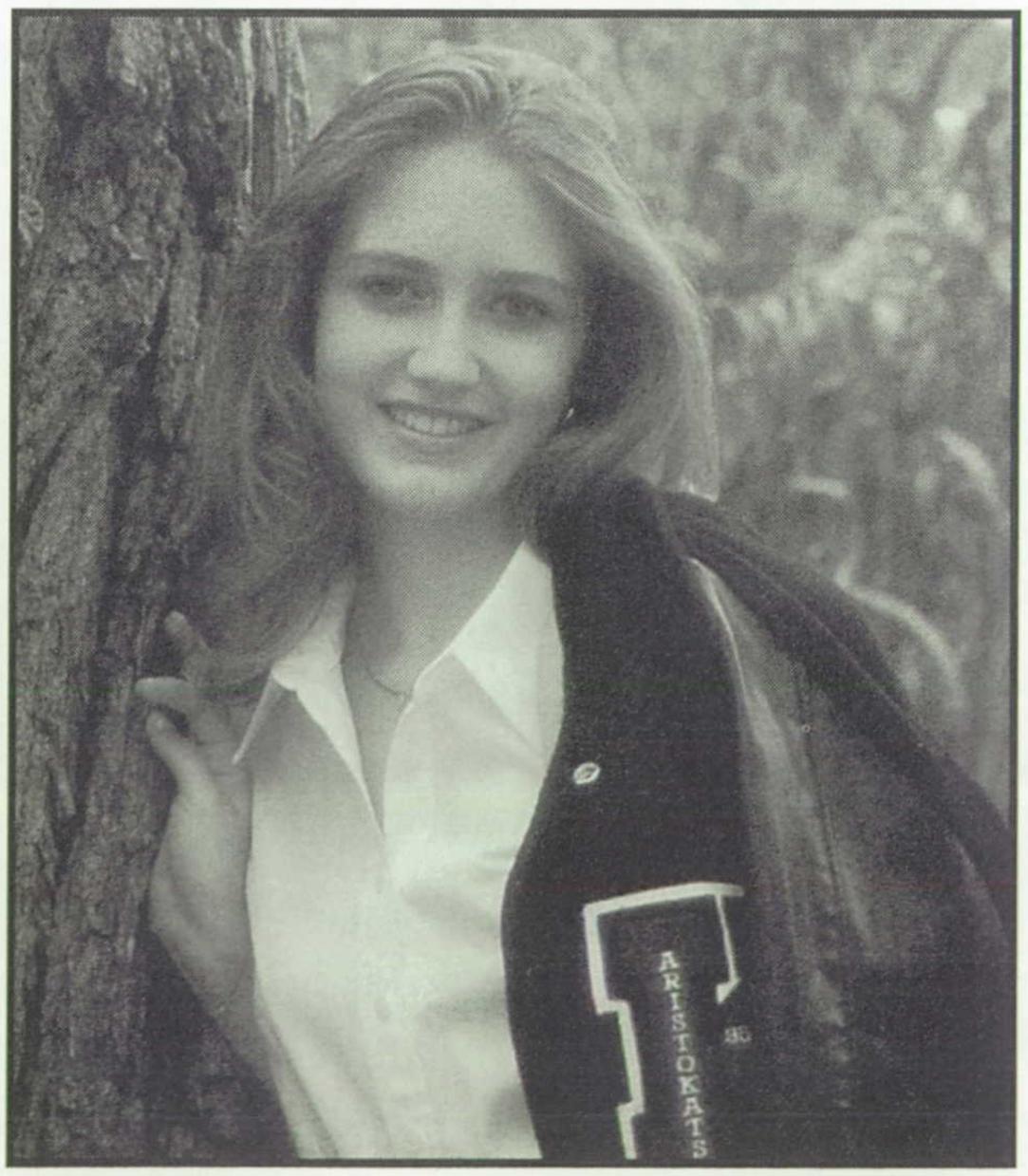




Amy Kristine Leither

Amy,
I know we have not always agreed on everything, but it is nice to know that we are always there for each other. It has been a lot of fun being in drill team with you. I hope you will fulfill all your dreams. Good luck in college.
Love Always,
Laura

Amy,
I am so very proud of you and everything you believe in. Follow your heart, and may it lead you to all your dreams in life. Just remember that only you can make those dreams come true. I Love You, Blossom.
Always,
Mom XOX



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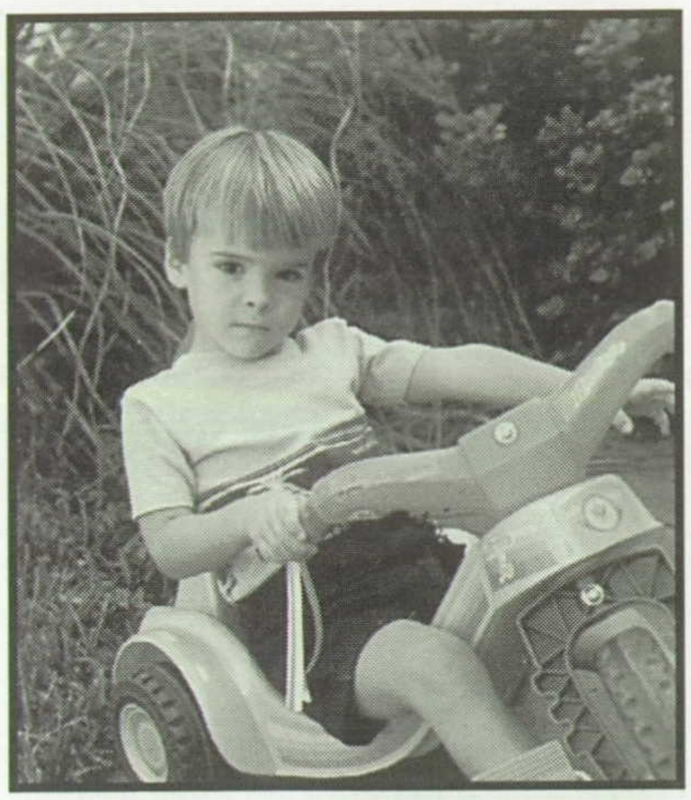

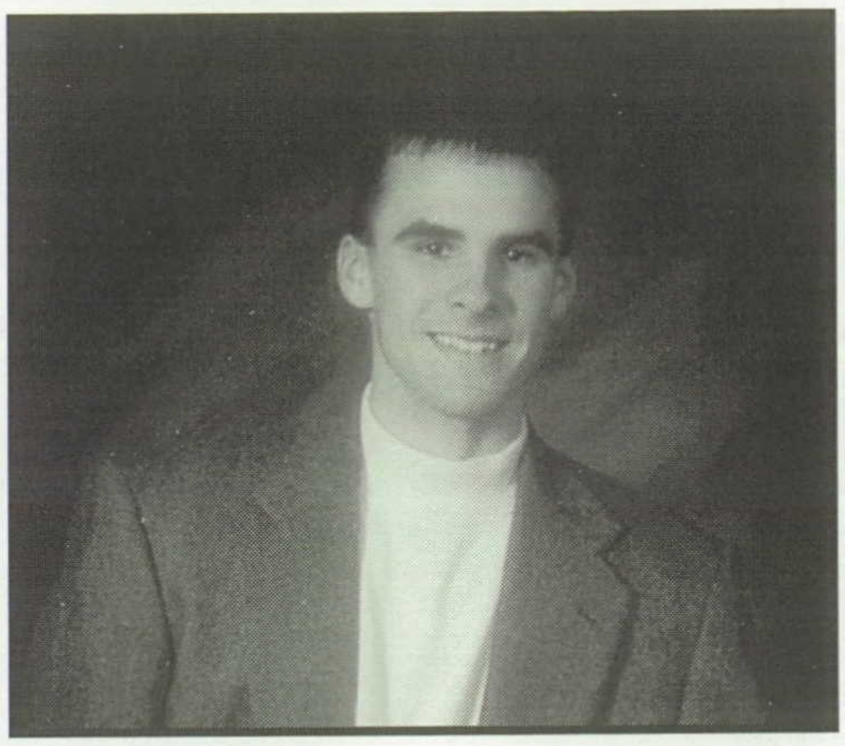

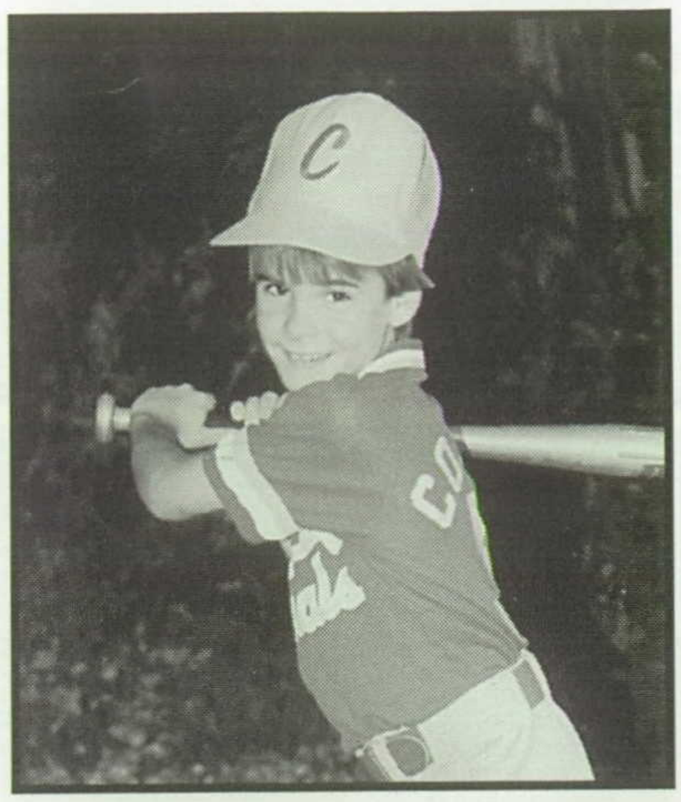

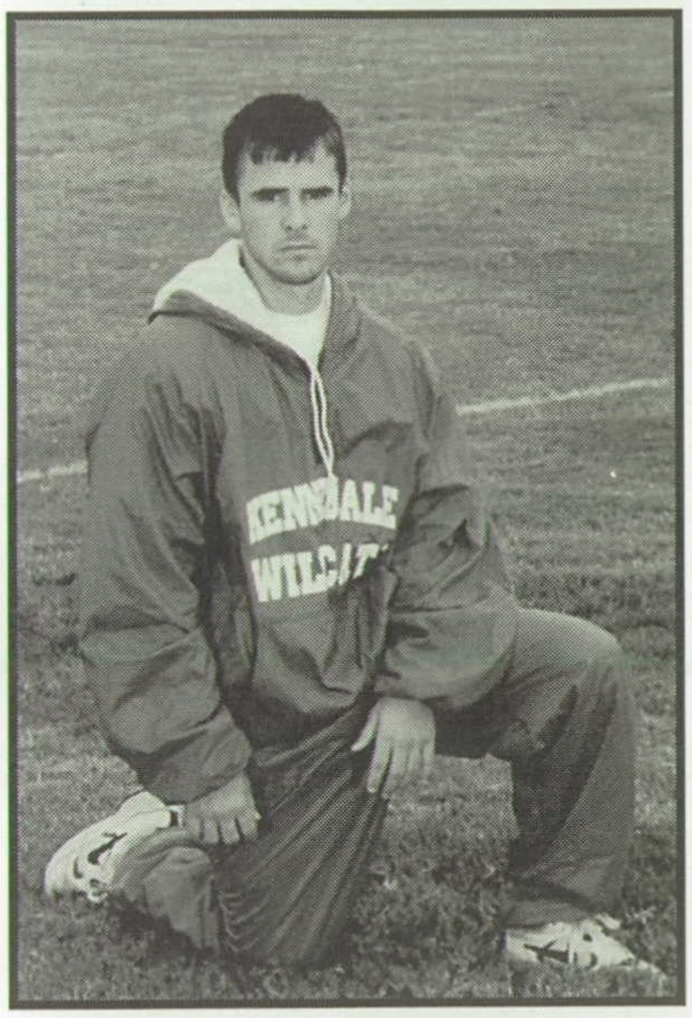

Congratulations Ryan!
Today is your day.
You are off and going places!
You are off and away!
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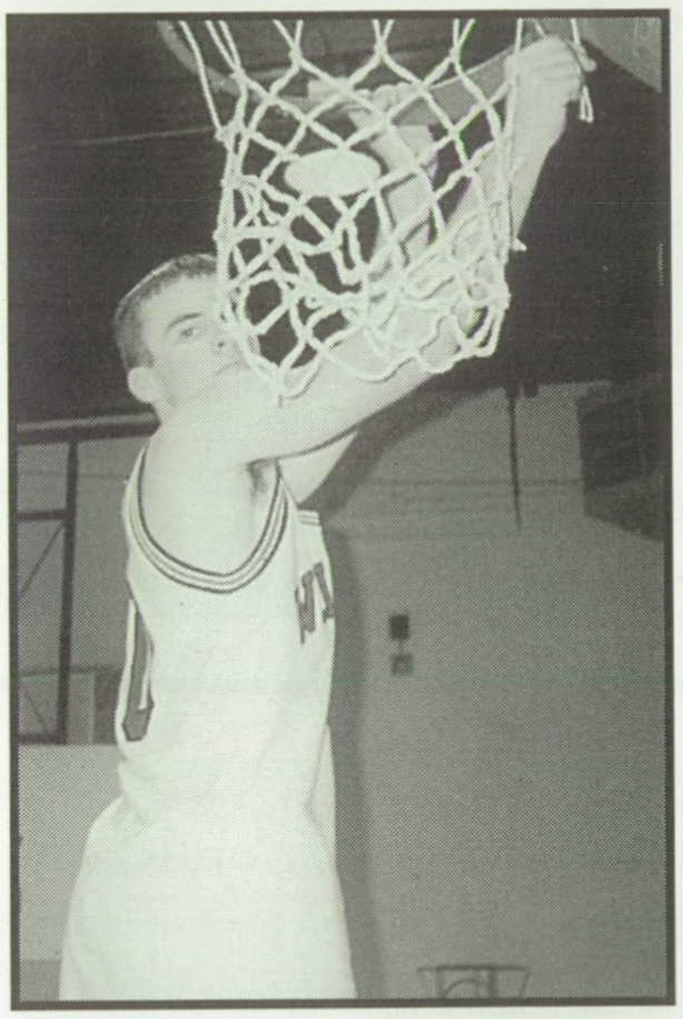
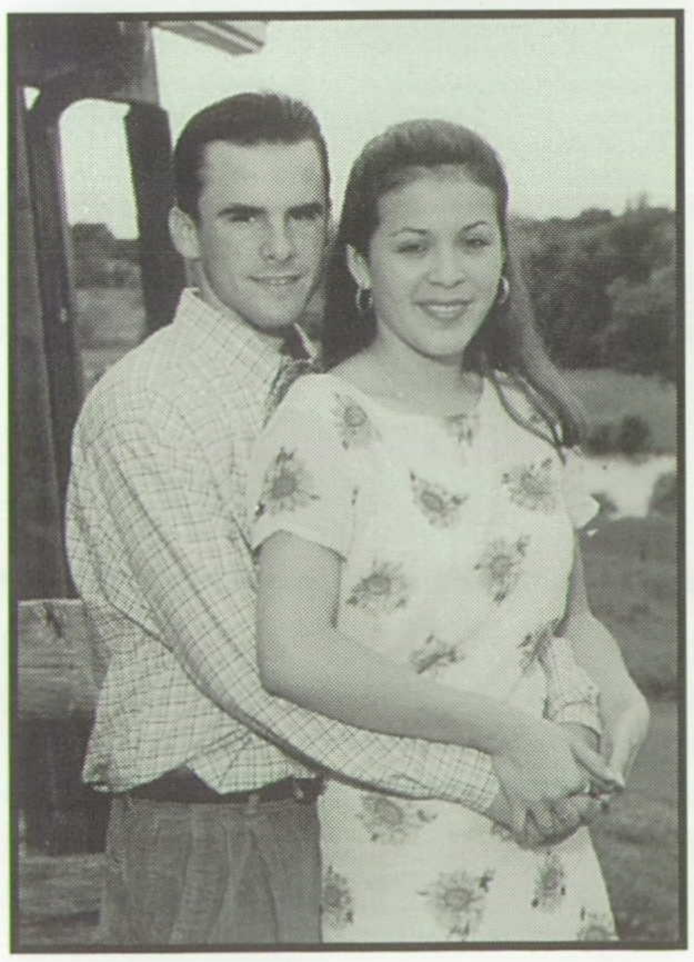
Fly boy, you will move mountains!
Today is your day!
Your mountain is waiting.
So....get on your way!

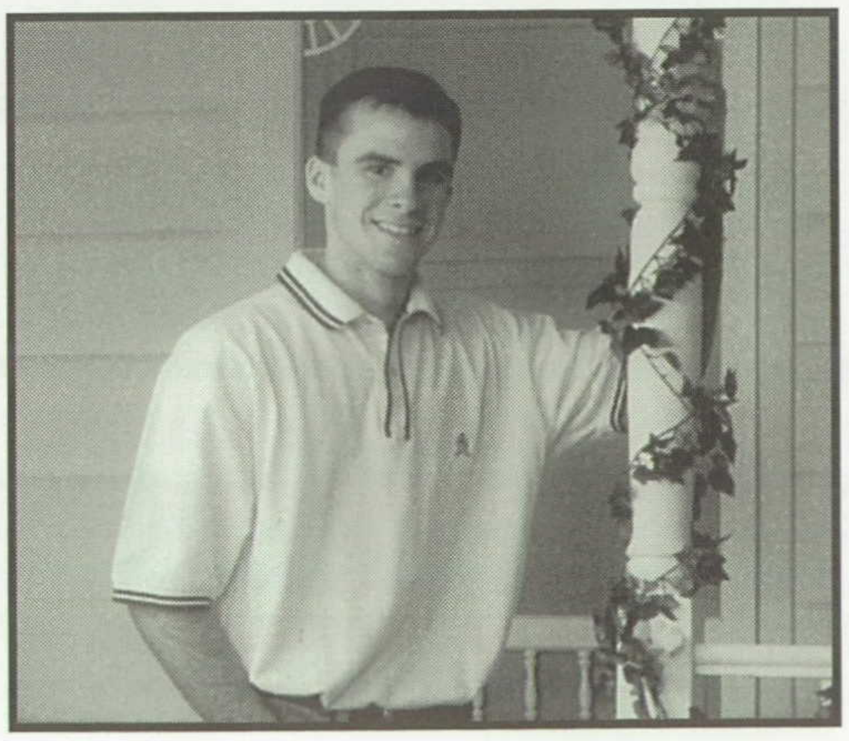
Dr. Seuss

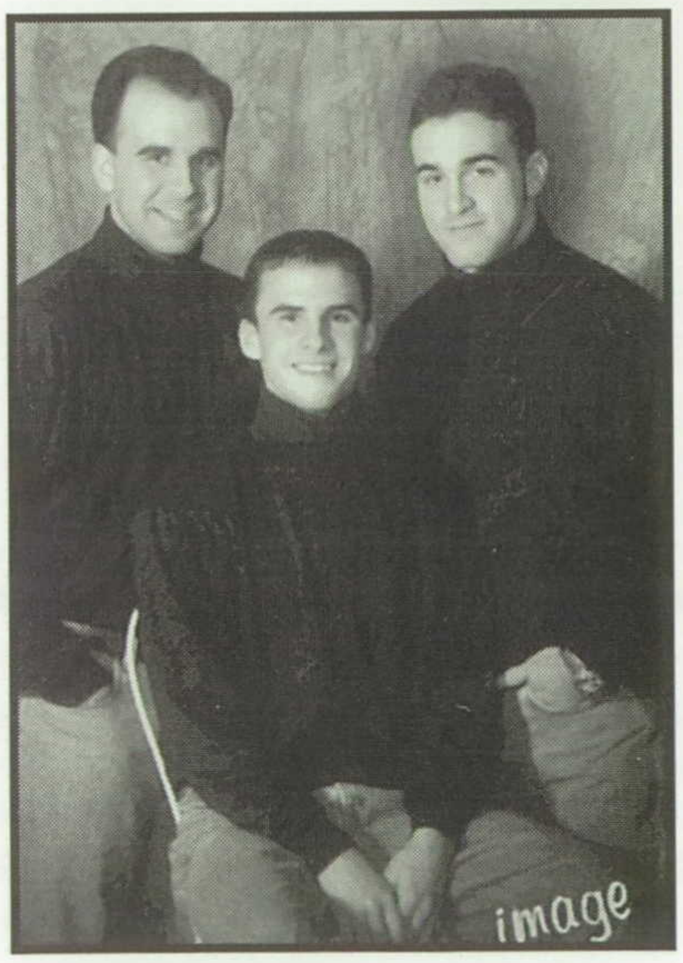
We are so proud of the caring, compassionate and intelligent young man that you have become. We love you always.

Mom and Dad
Rickey and Michael









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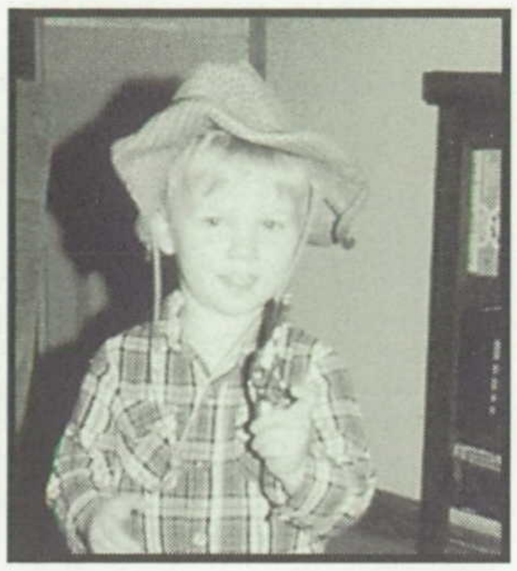

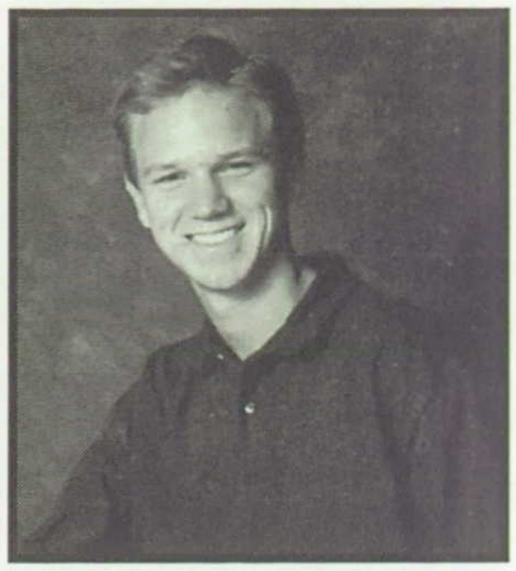

Kevin T.,

Hats have always been an important accessory for you! You seem to be able to wear many very efficiently. We are extremely proud of your accomplishments at school, in Cross Country, as a Thespian and an Eagle Scout. God bless you as you add yet another hat to your collection.

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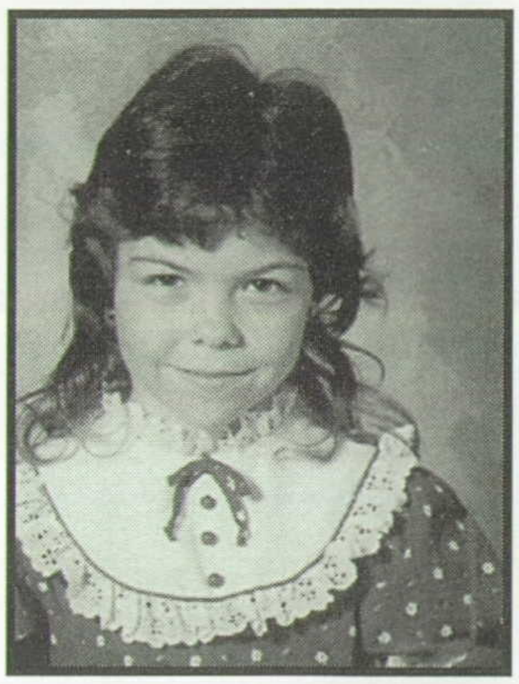

Congratulations Tanya!

Good luck to my future zoologist!
I love You, Mom

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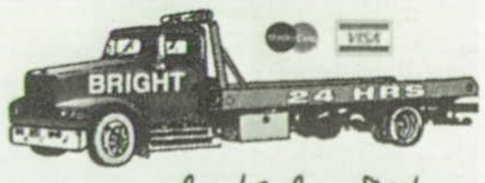

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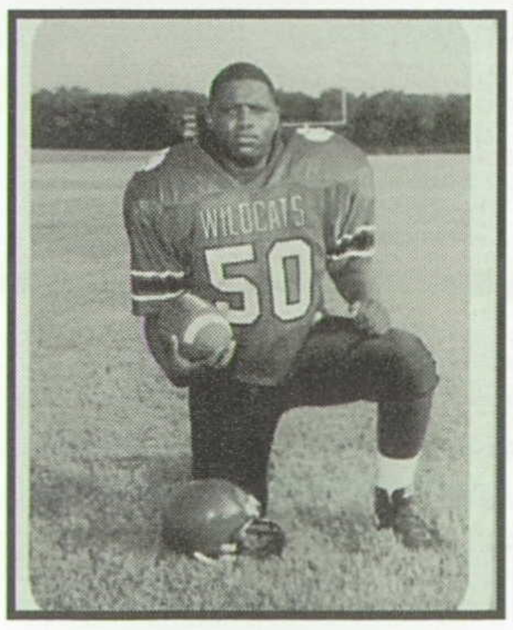

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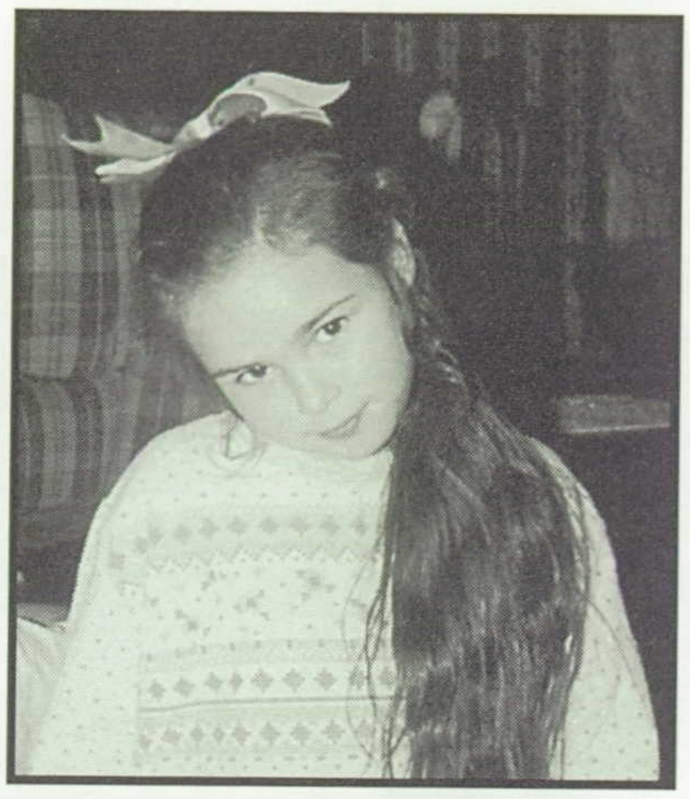

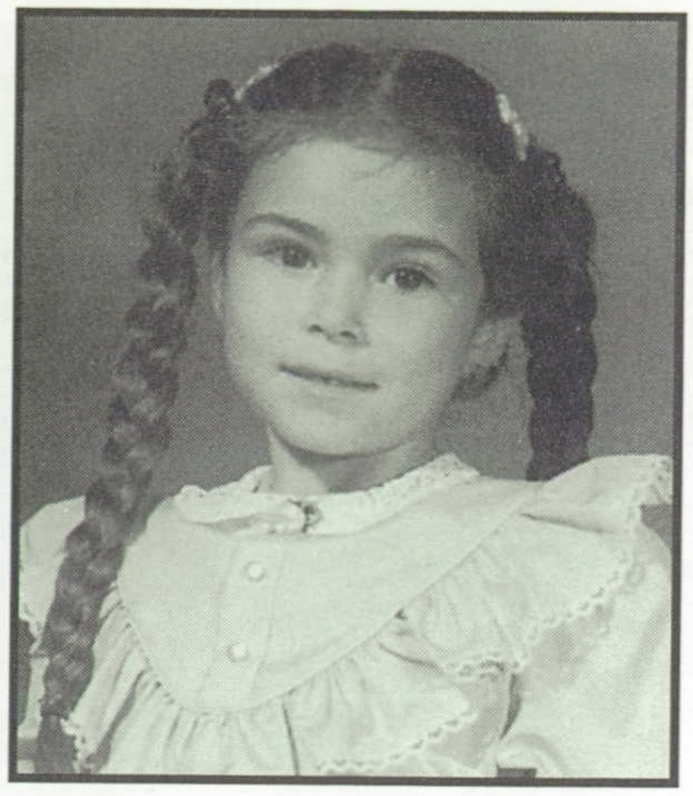

Sara,

Words cannot express how proud we are of you. From the very first day of your life, we knew you were more than special. The love, happiness and laughter you have brought to our lives is truly cherished. Know that wherever you go or whatever you do with your life, you are loved Sara Jo White.

We love you,
Mom, your two dads
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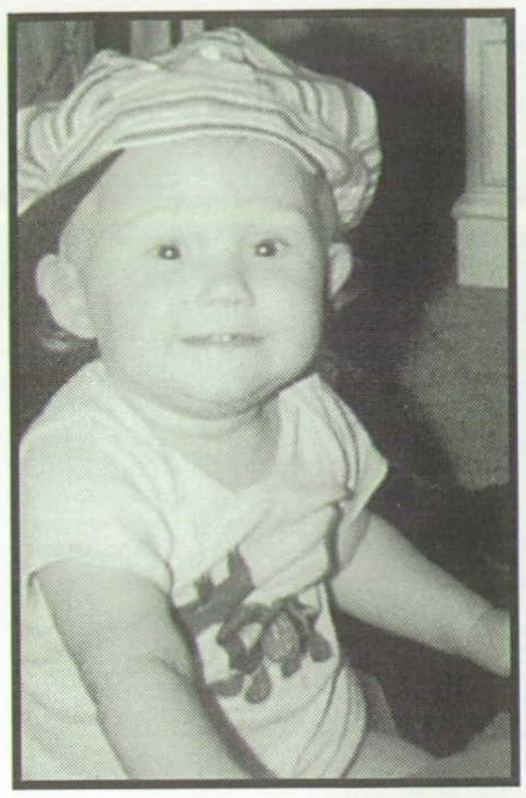

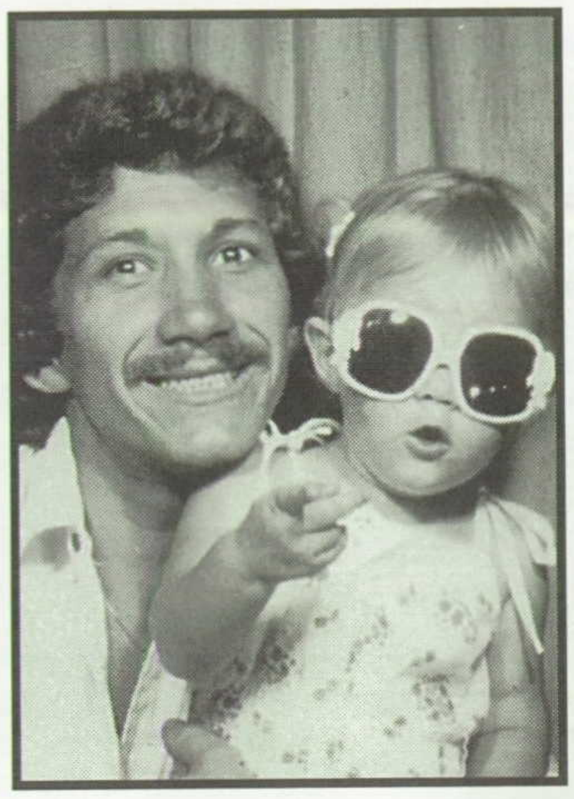

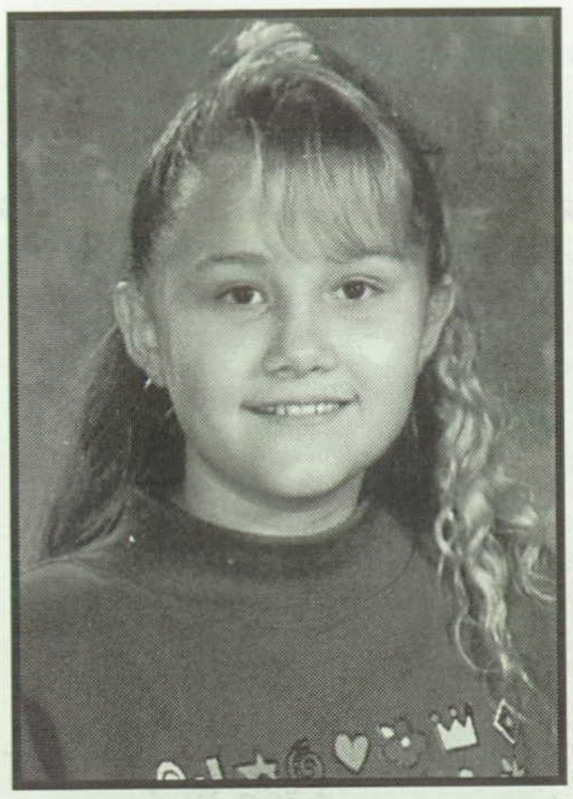

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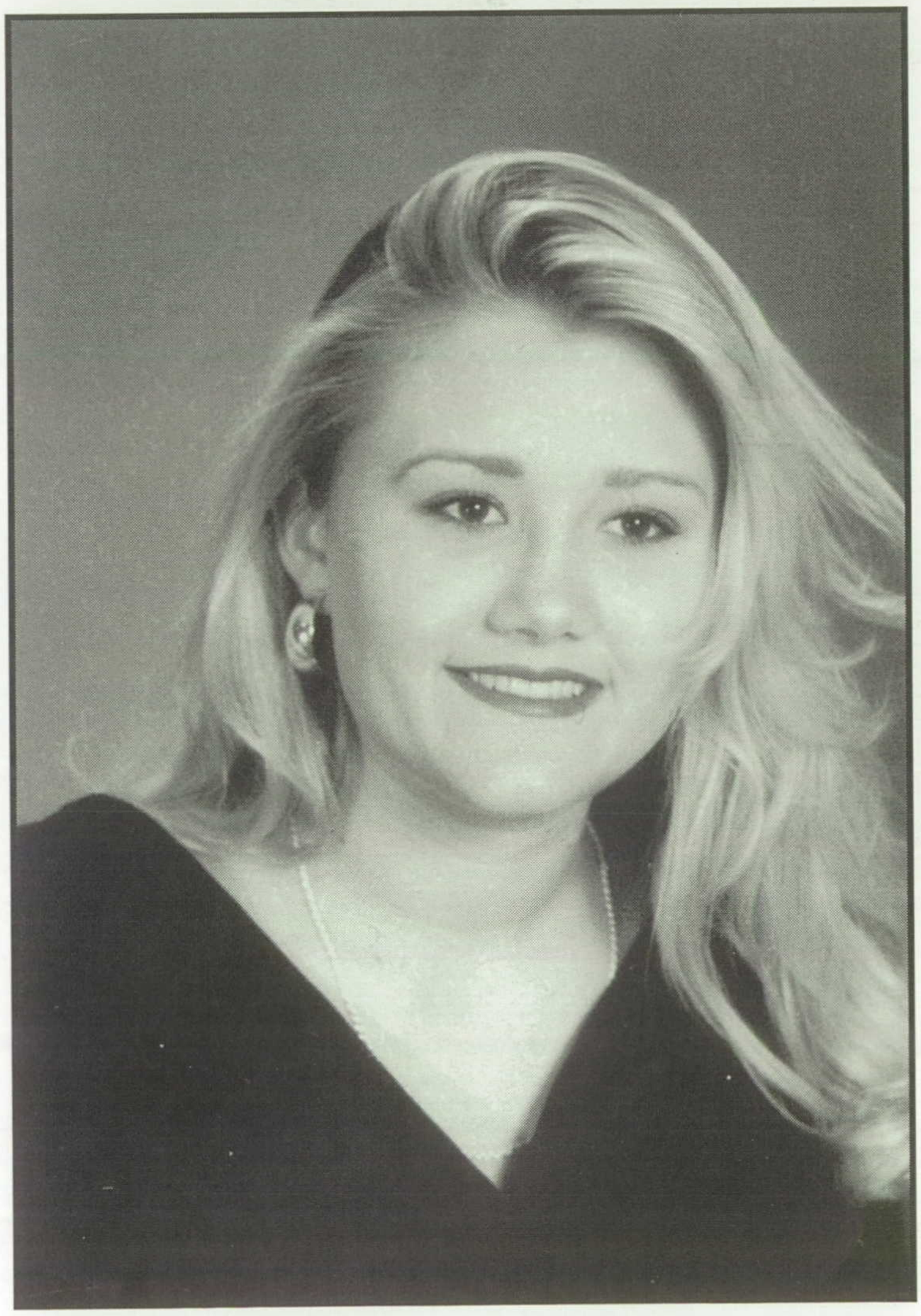

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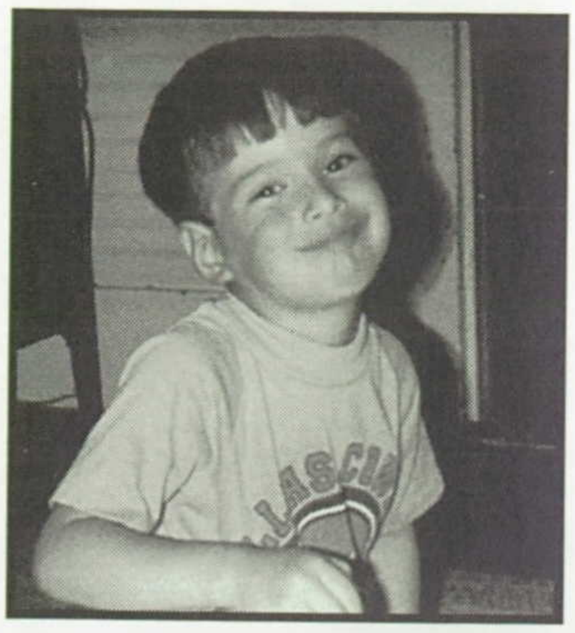

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Although you are the second, we will miss your fuss,
We want you to stay wise, thoughtful and just.
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Byron Ross

Byron,

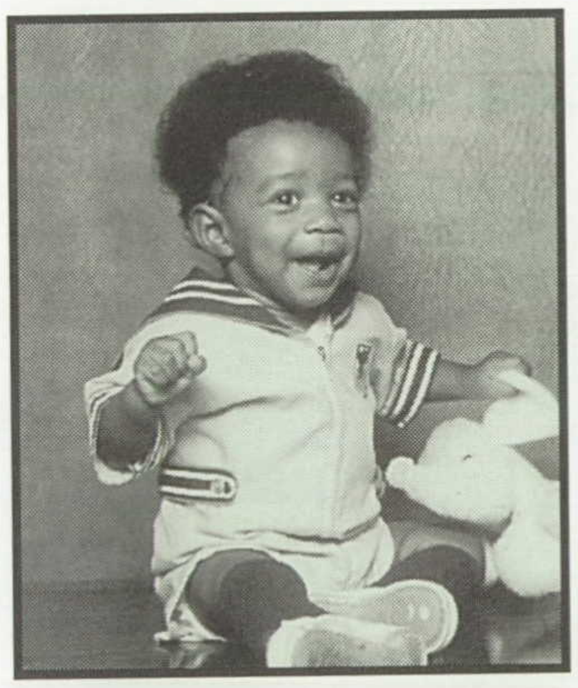
We remember the morning of September 11, 1980 as if it were only yesterday. During the past seventeen years, you have given us much joy and laughter. As you embark upon your new beginning, remember, keep Christ in your life, set clear goals, be attentive and study smart. If you believe it, you can achieve it!

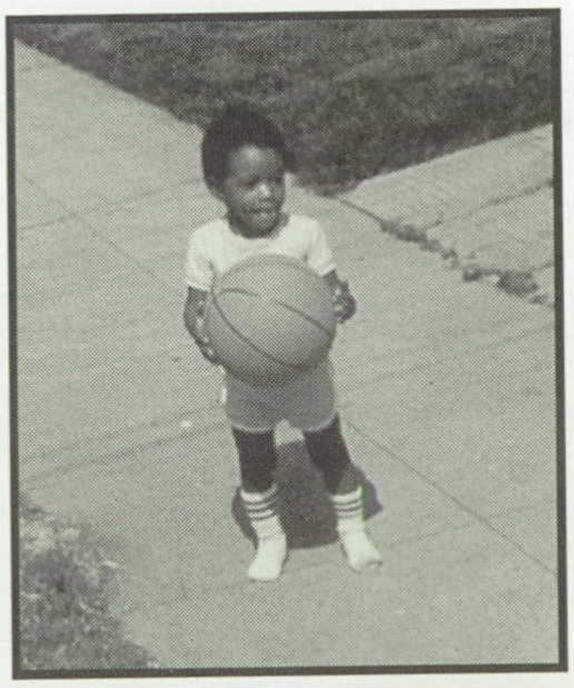
Love, Mom and Dad

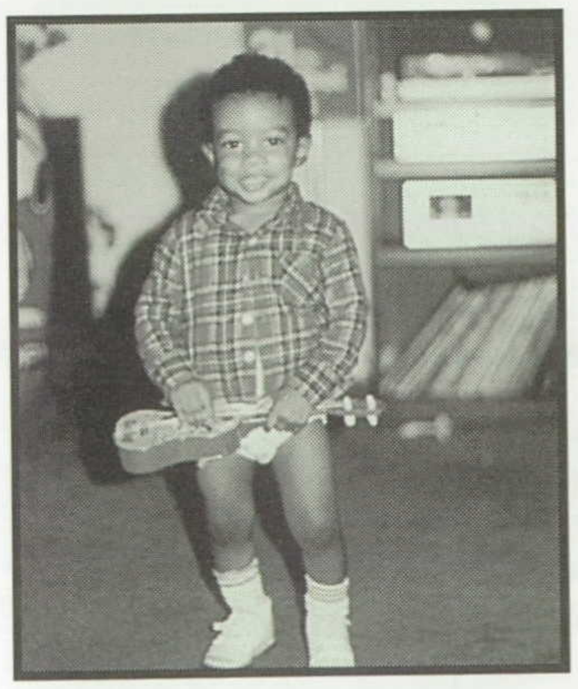
Big Brother,

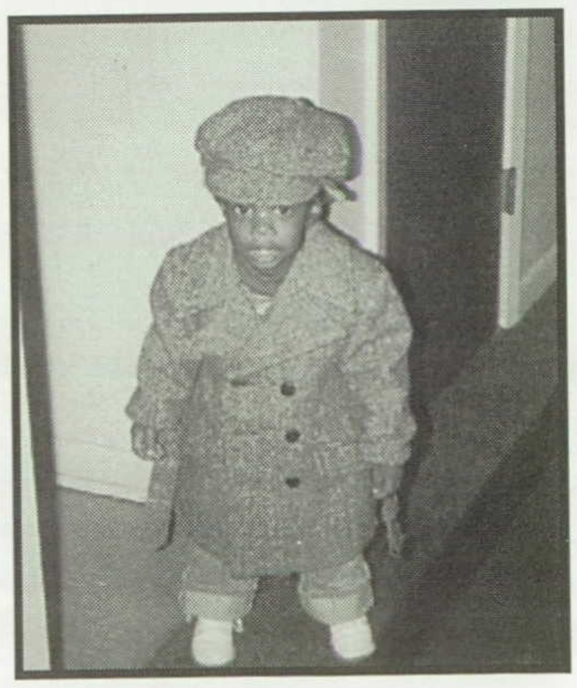
I will miss our "brother to brother" talks and being able to wear your clothes. But, I will enjoy having the phone all to myself!

Love ya', Little B

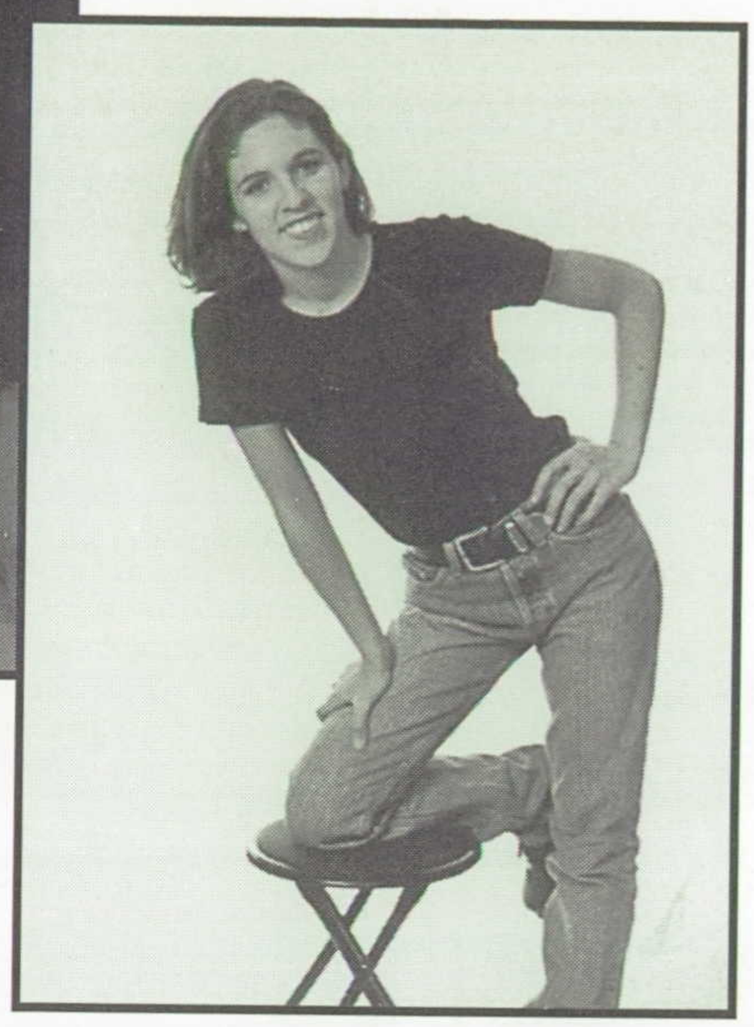








Jennifer Ann Jones



Jenny,
We wish you a lifetime of success in whatever you do and wherever you may go. Our hearts and love go with you. Thank you for being such a wonderful daughter, sister and aunt.

Congratulations and love from your family,
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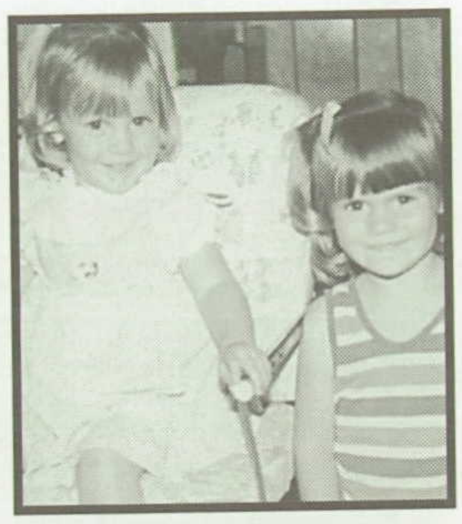
Amy LeAnne Casbeer

You have already achieved so much throughout high school, and now it is time to move on to college. We wish you all the luck and success in the future. Congratulations!

Love,
Mom, Dad and Jackie

Your granddad and I have enjoyed watching you grow into a lovely young woman. You are delightful, funny, yet sensitive, level headed, and yes determined. A little girl in flats. A grown little lady in heels. "FELICITATIONS". Be nice!

Love, Grannie and Pop



Congratulations Amy on everything that you have accomplished. I hope our relationship continues to grow and that we have many more memories together. Thanks for everything that you have done. Good luck!

Love, Byron M. Biondi

You are a very special person to me and I know you are going to make it in this crazy world. I hope we keep in touch. Best of luck.

Your true friend, Brent

You are a very special friend and hold a place in my heart. Thank you for all you have done. Best of luck in everything you do. Congratulations!

Love, Crystal Cross

Tears and laughter we have shared through the years. For all the times we shared, the good times stand out the most. Through it all I admire our friendship.

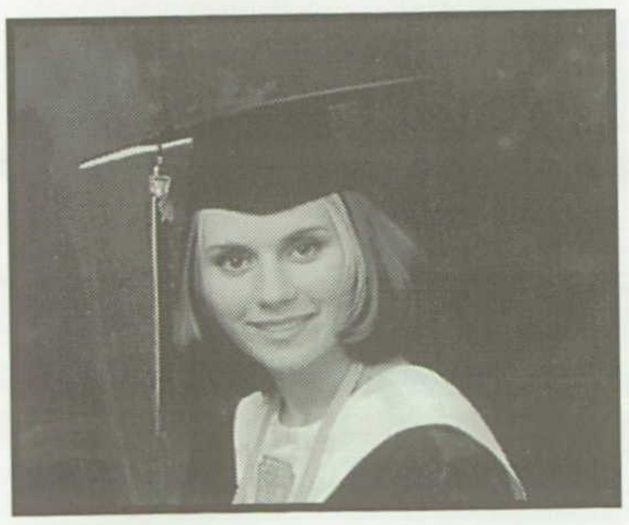
I Love You, Missy Britt

You have already achieved so much. This is the moment you have been waiting for. You are a great friend and I love you for that. I wish you much success and happiness.

Love, Kim Brumfield

Between the three of us, we have shared some of the best memories to look back on. Thanks for always being there, worrying and watching over us.

Love, Jeri and Jodie



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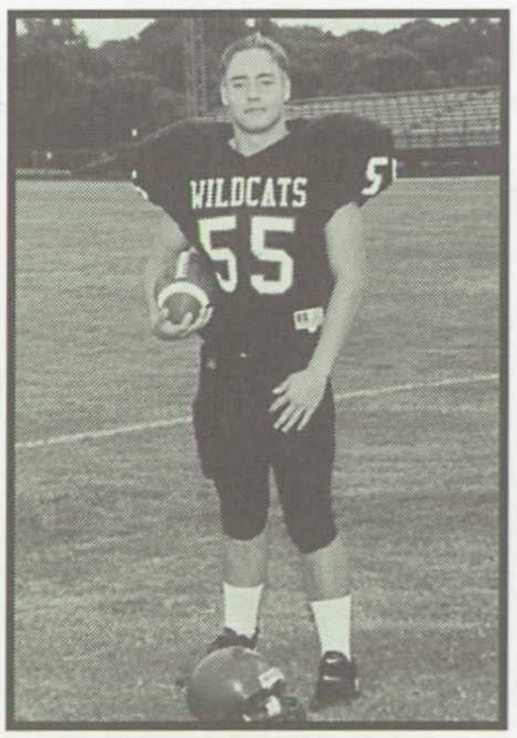


Congratulations Jason!
We are so proud of you and all of your accomplishments. May you go far and meet your goals in life. We love you very much.
Love,
Mom and Dad
Justin

Lindsay Hernandez

Lindsay,

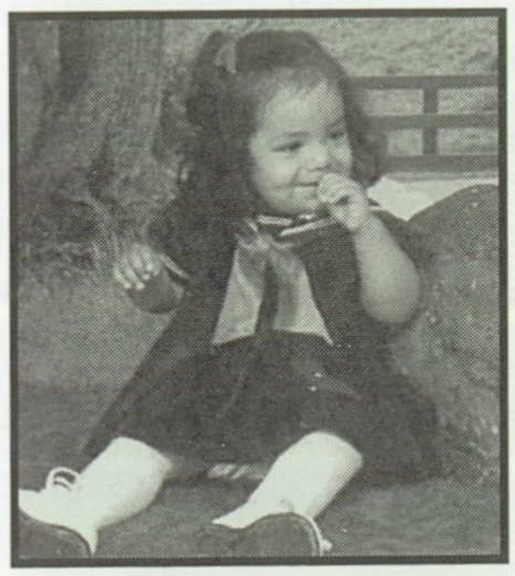
As I go through the photographs, it hardly seems possible how the years have flown by, and now you are graduating from high school.

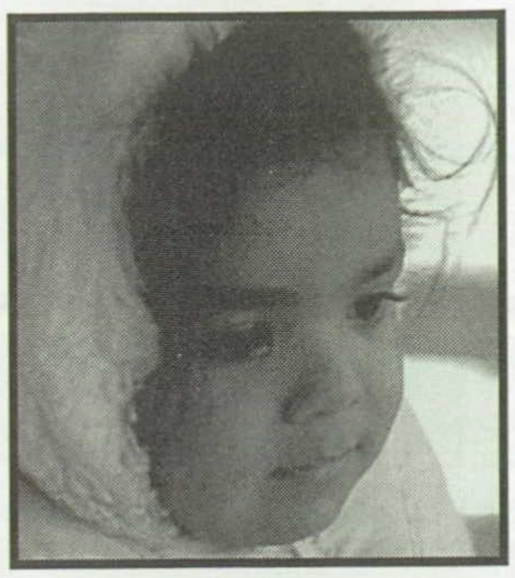
Tears fill my eyes because my Lindsay is not a little girl anymore, but a beautiful young lady.

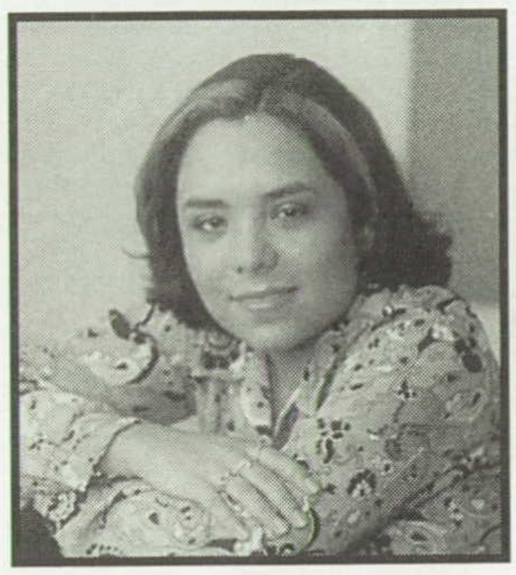
You and I both know that it has not been easy. We have not always seen eye to eye, but through God's grace he has given us the love and strength to continue. Life is not easy, but always remember to keep God first and he will show you the way.

My prayer for you is to let God continue to guide you and always fill your heart with love and joy. Most of all, I want to thank God for blessing me with a beautiful daughter who I love with all of my heart. Remember we always love you!!!

Mom and Gilbert
Ashley







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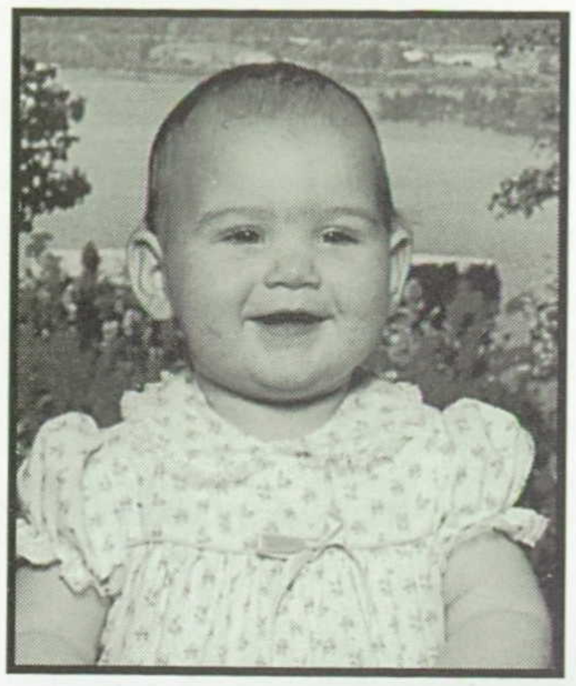
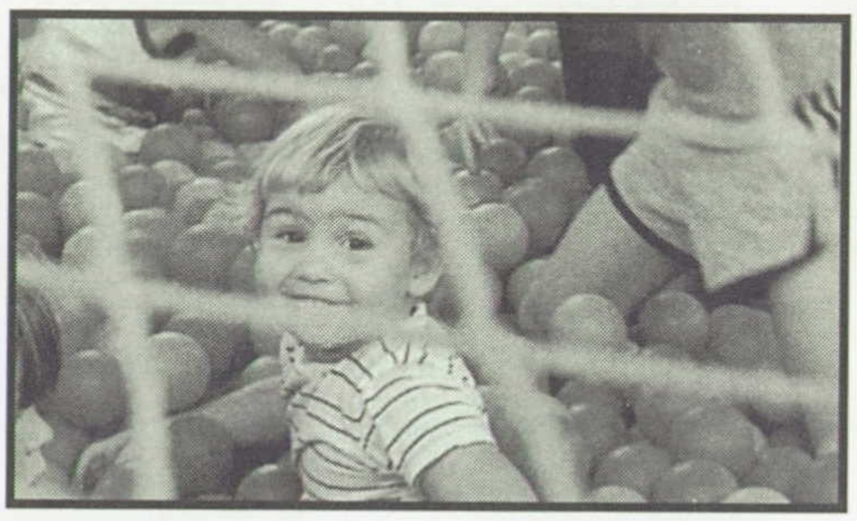
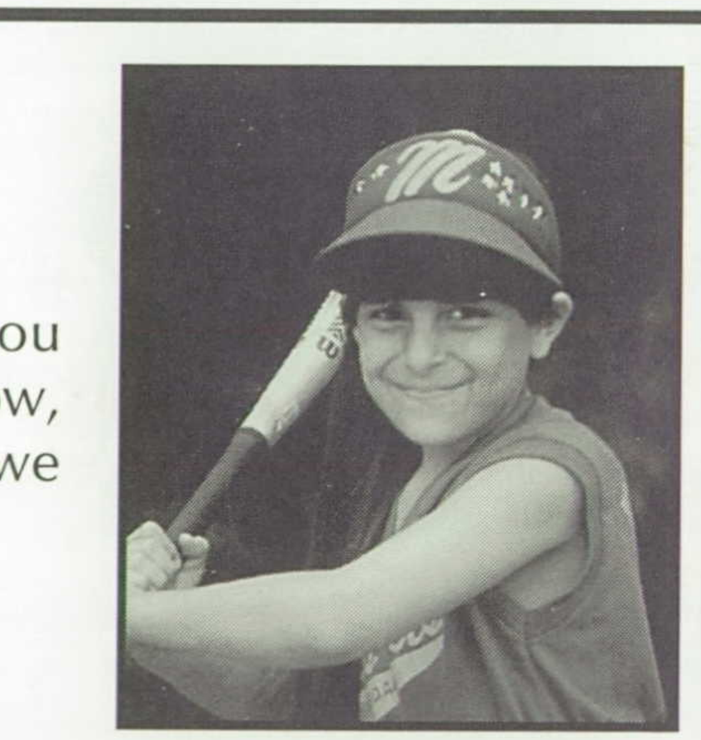


Jennifer Statum

You are a shining example of what every parent wishes her daughter to be, loving and funny, beautiful and good, honest and principled, determined and independent, sensitive and intelligent. We are so very proud of you.

Always have dreams and try to make them a reality! Love always,
Mom and Dad,
Renee



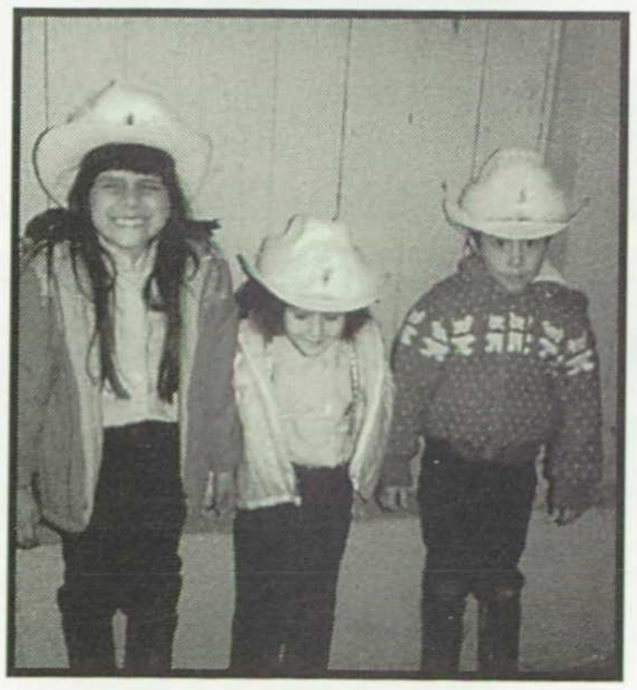


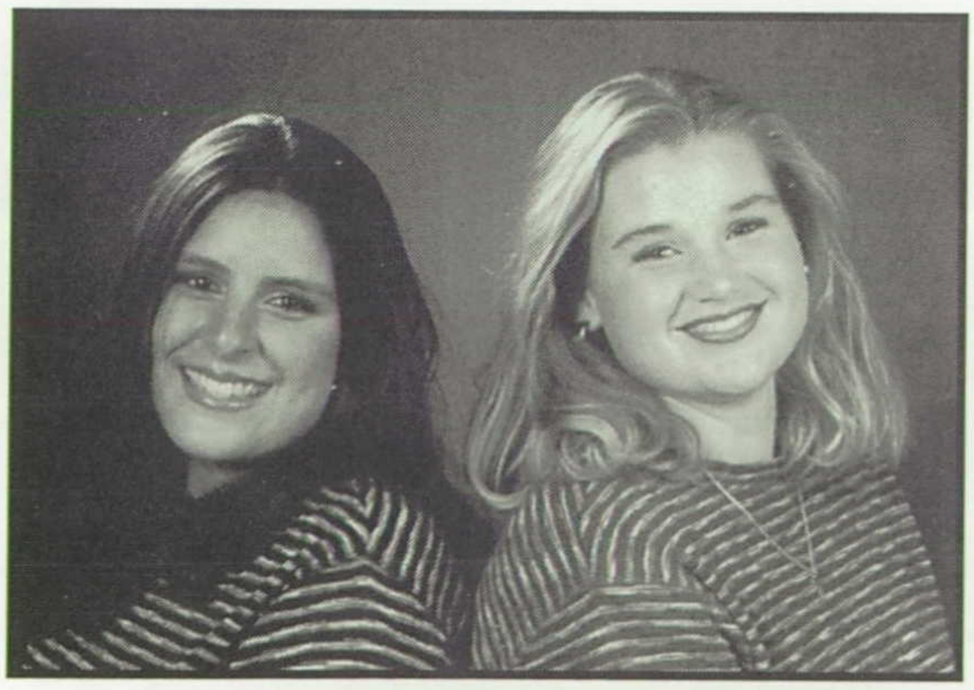
Rachel Salinas

Rachel Anne,

What an extraordinary person you have become. As you continue to grow, please remember how very much we love you.

Mom and Dad
Jenny and Grandpa





Amanda Amador

Amanda Amador is graduating! Celebration time, come on! Let's celebrate! Panda is going to graduate! Were going to have a good time tonight! Mandy is leaving! It's alright! Oh yeah! It's a celebration!
We are very proud of you!
Congratulations!
We love you very much,
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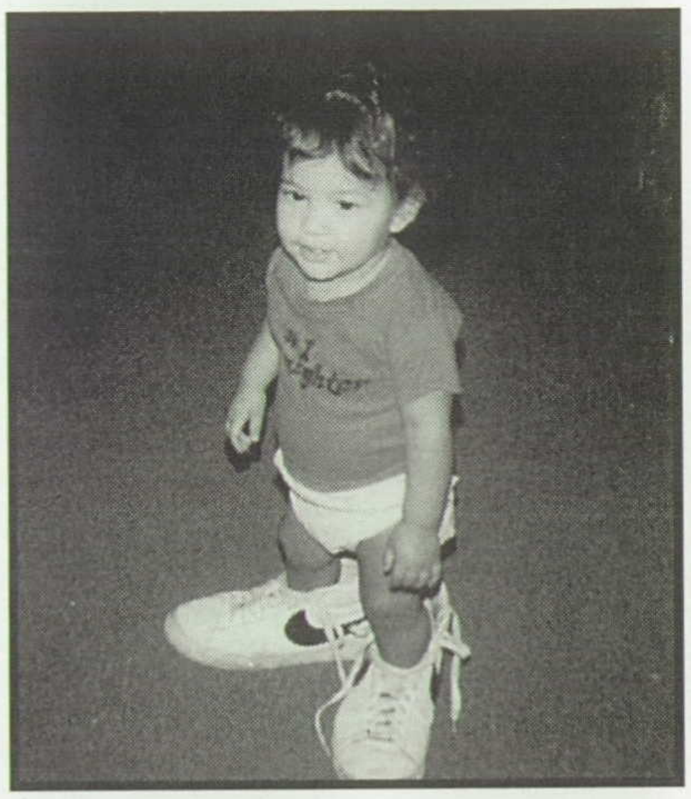

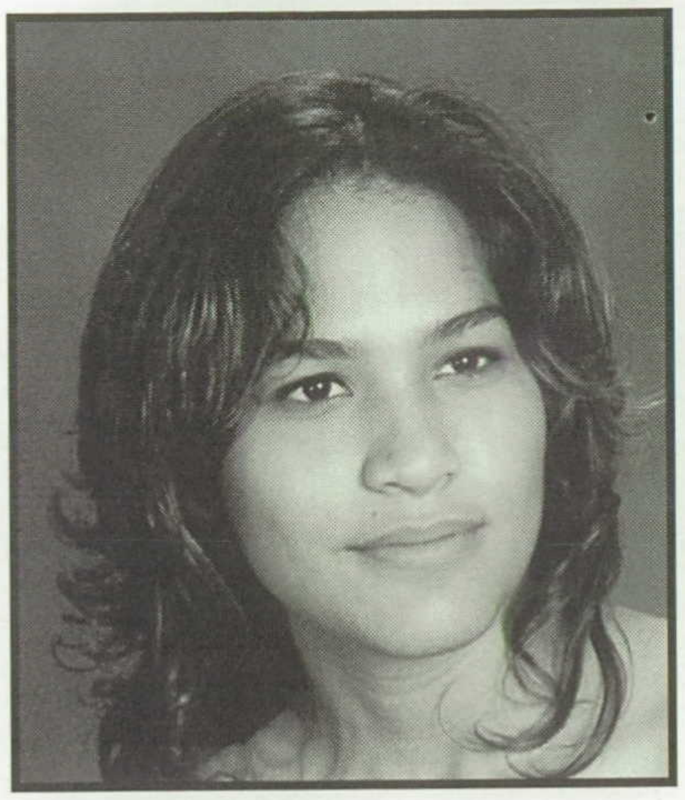

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Jeri McMillan

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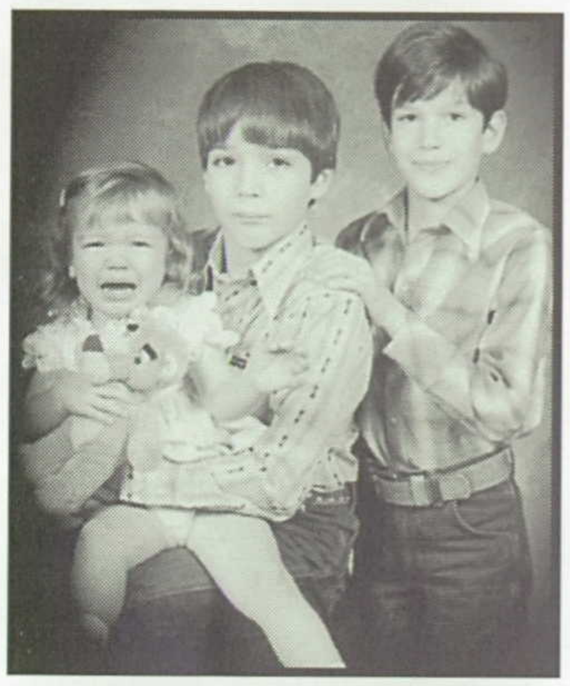
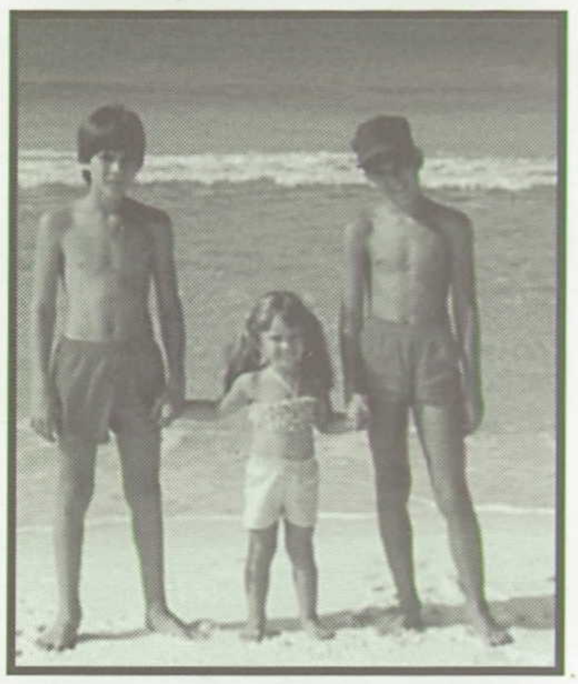
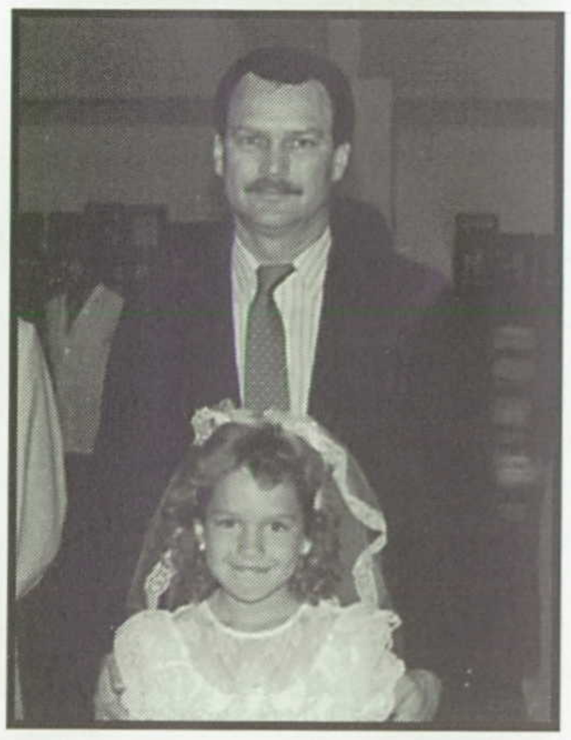
But when the time came — it all came too fast!
When he died, I never got the chance to tell him just how much I loved him and respected him." by Jeri McMillan







I knew you could do it. You had last years practice! Love, Rawdy

You wrote this about your dad. I know he is watching from above and is very proud of his sons and his "baby girl". And "YES", he did know that his children loved him very much.

Parts of your poem make me think of this time in your life and it has come all too fast. You may be entering adulthood, but you will always be your brother's baby sister and they will always be protective because they love you very much and are very proud of you, even though they may not tell you.

As for me Jeri, I have enjoyed you and all of your friends. I am proud that you include me often. You and I have been through a lot and we have both made mistakes, but because we stood beside each other, we made it. I am proud to say that not only are you "MY JERI", you are my best friend!

Best of luck Jeri as you leave childhood and step into adulthood.

The time has come much too fast!
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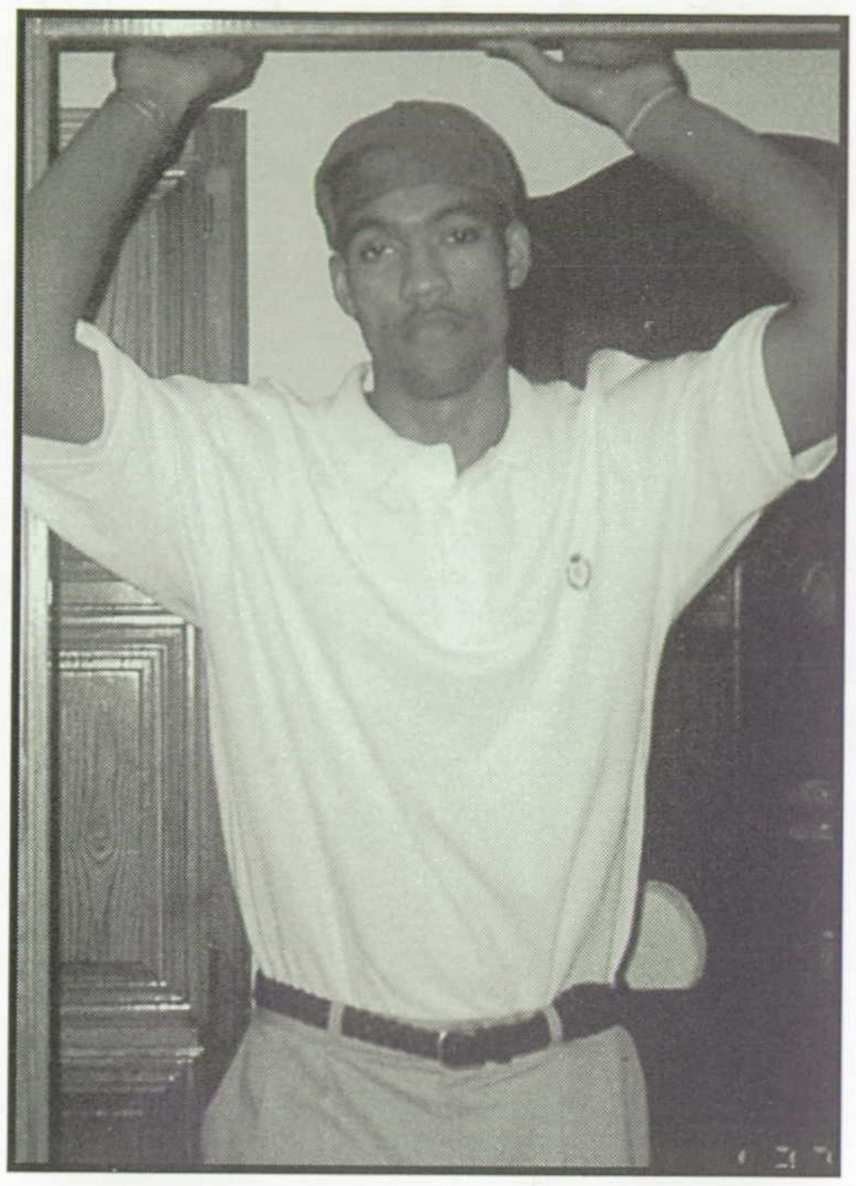

I can
be anything
I can
do anything
I can
think anything
big or tall
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because I
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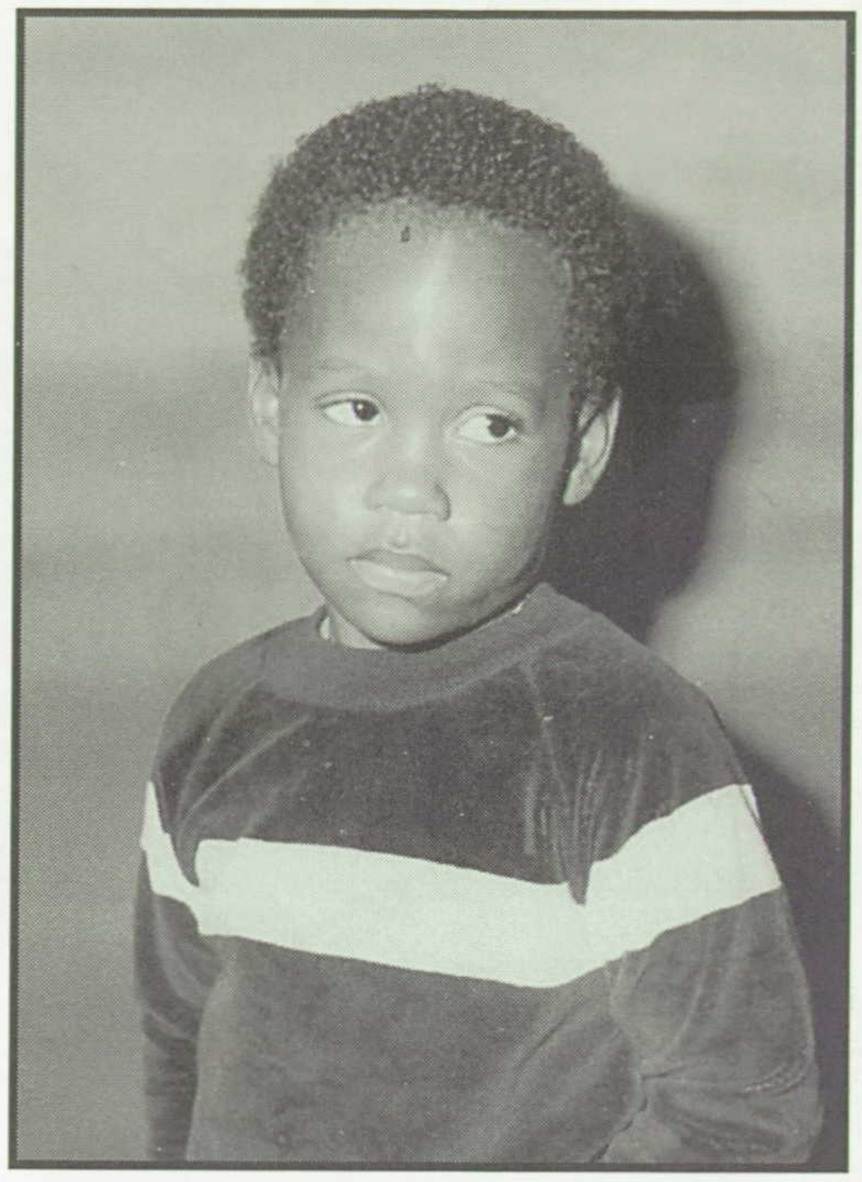
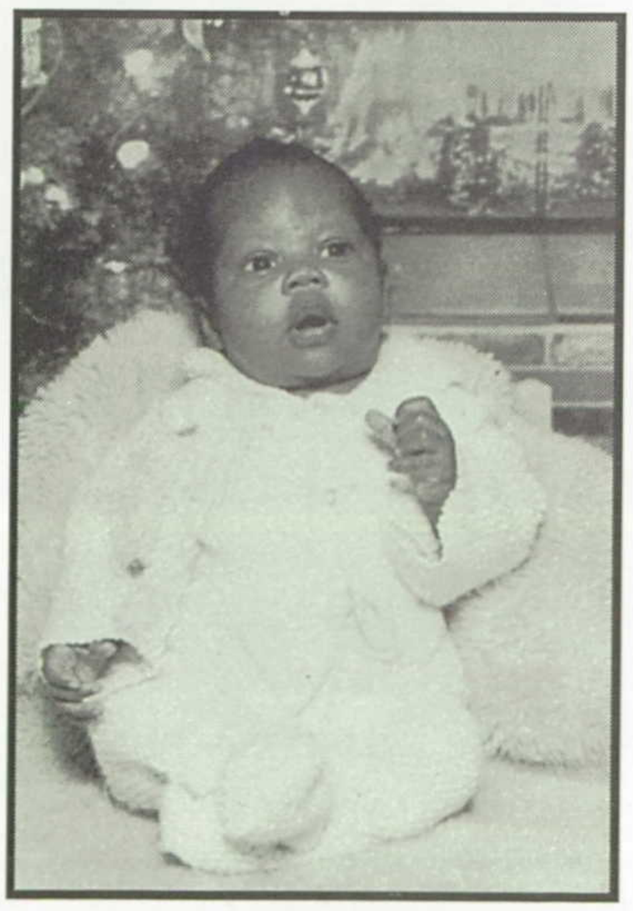
WANT
TO!
by Mari Evans



We love you
Big Dude.
Maya and Mark

Nigel,
We could not be prouder to have
a son like you. Thank you for
being the young man that you are.
Always remember to keep God
first and all your dreams and
desires will come true.
Love,
Mom and Dad

Nigel,
Keep it real!
Love, Mark



Nigel,
I wish for you to be happy, and to
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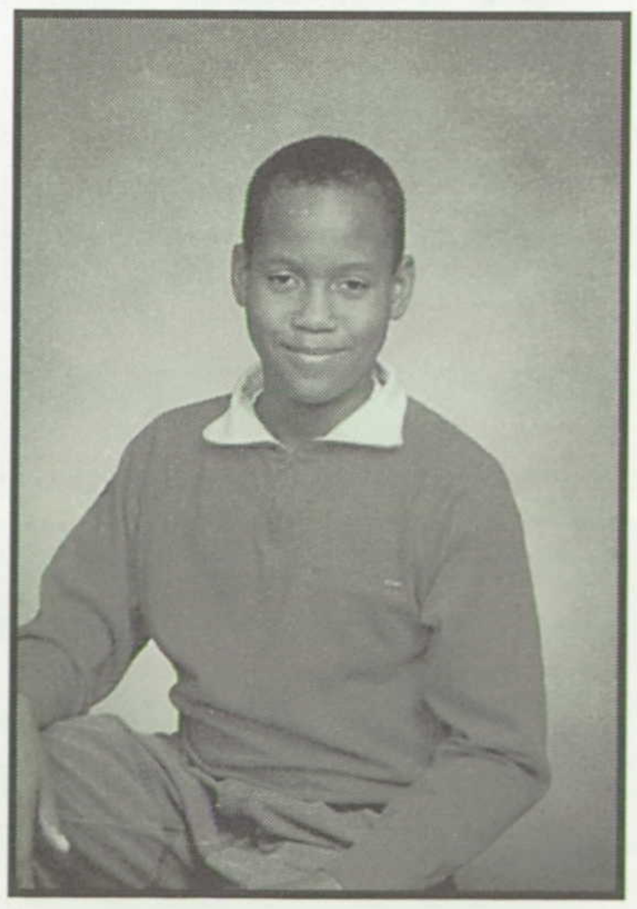
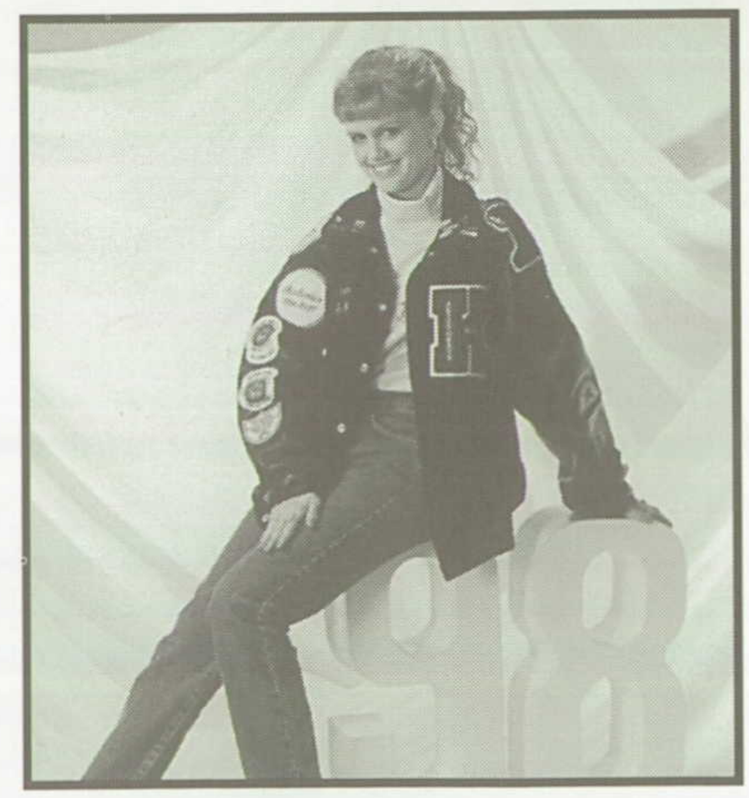
and follow one's dreams?
Love, Mom



Lark Wallis

Lark,
The greatest gift and
honor has been having
you for our daughter.
Always remember to
dream dreams and risk
in fantasy.
Reach for the stars.
We love you!
Mom and Dad



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Mindy Jackson

There has never been a day when our hearts have not been beamed with joy to call you our daughter. We thank the Lord for you and consider it a privilege that He has blessed our lives with you. Congratulations on a job well done. Seek the Lord always and He will bless you as you begin this new journey.

Love always,
Mom and Dad
Megan

Sara Hamilton

Sara,

The day you came into my life I knew I had been blessed. Ever since then you have continued to amaze me with your strength of character and unwavering sense of right and wrong. Your innate sense of humor will make rough times smoother and good times even better. Be who you are and take all you have learned out into the world with you and the world will be a better place. My world became a better place the day you were born. M

Sara,

Time really has passed quickly since the day I first met you in Wichita Falls. I have enjoyed all the creative things you do including singing, acting and putting on your own plays. You are a very gifted and caring person and I am proud to know you! The entire world is yours for the taking. I hope it is ready for you. Love, Robert

Sara,

You must be very proud! So is your family. I am certain this is only one more moment of pride. One moment of many which come not only from scholastic achievements, but also from witnessing a life well lived. Dad

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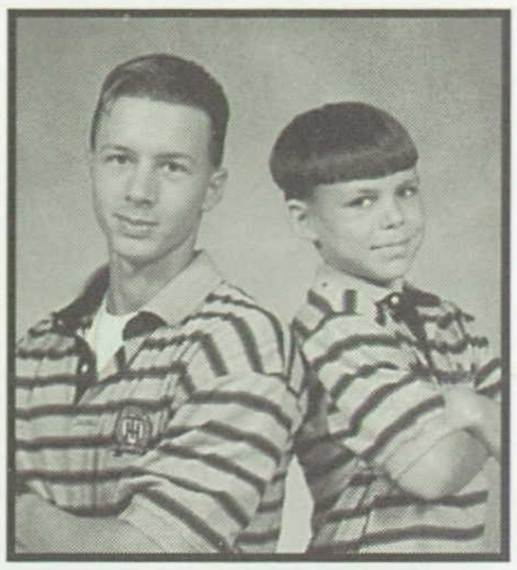

We are so proud of you Dustin. Love you,
Mom and Dad Nannie and Pa-Paa
Grannie and Grandaddy

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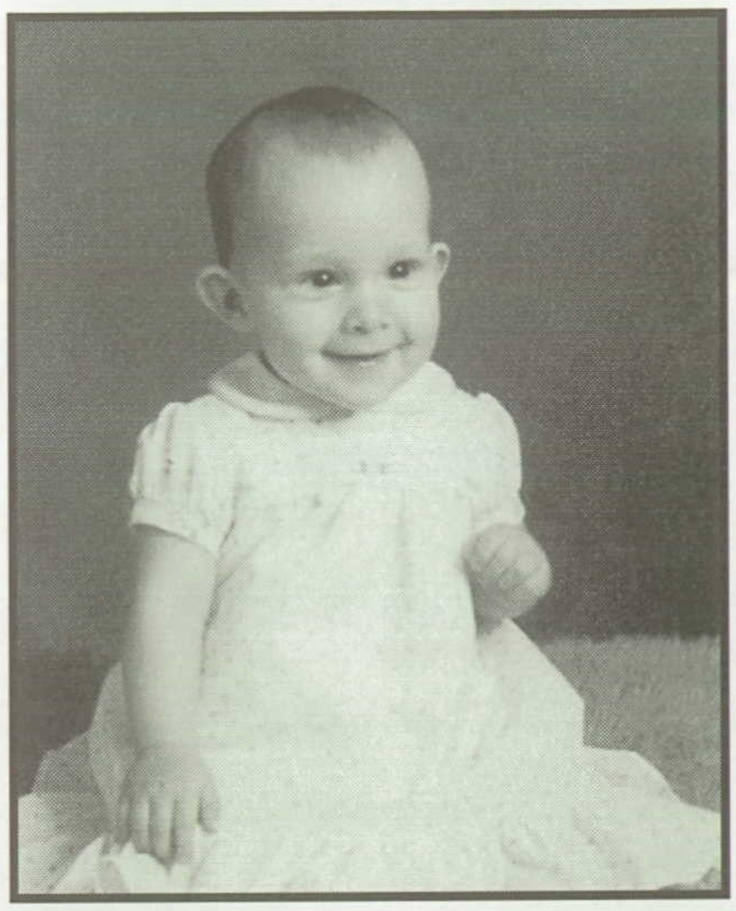
Kim Brumfield

It simply does not seem possible that you are completing the most important accomplishment of your life. Now you will go forth and apply all that you have learned to achieve your dreams. I encourage you and support you as you go after your dreams. I love you and am proud of you,

Mom



As the years have passed and we have watched you grow into a beautiful young lady, you have been a constant source of joy. As you begin a new phase of your life and the future seems uncertain, always put your faith in God, trust yourself above the rest, treat people with respect and remember that you are loved always.

Dad and Vickie

Just think, this is the year you have been waiting for. I am proud of you and the accomplishments that you have achieved. I wish you only the best and know that better things are in store for you.

Love you, Dad II

I want you to know that I love you and am always here for you. I am very proud of you and wish you the best of luck in all that you do.

Love you always,
Mander-Lous

You have completed the biggest goal of your life, you should be proud, because we are. You have been a great friend to us both and we hope it stays that way. May your life be full of happiness and lots of love.

We love you dearly,
April and Manda

As you complete one stage of your life and begin another, know that determination and tenacity are qualities you will need. Like learning to ride your bike when you were four, or playing basketball after knee surgery your senior year. I wish you much happiness and success.

Love you,
Jo Jo

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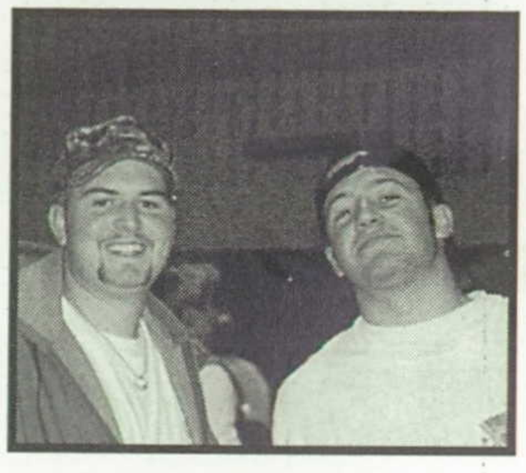
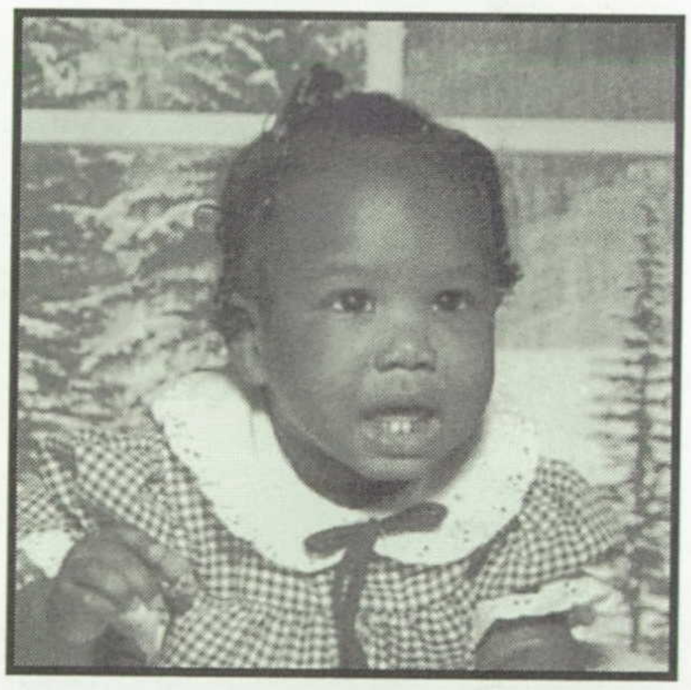
Amy,
Well babe, you finally made it. Congratulations on all your accomplishments and continue to do whatever your little heart pleases. Good luck in your life and relax a little bit, it would not hurt.
Love, Byron



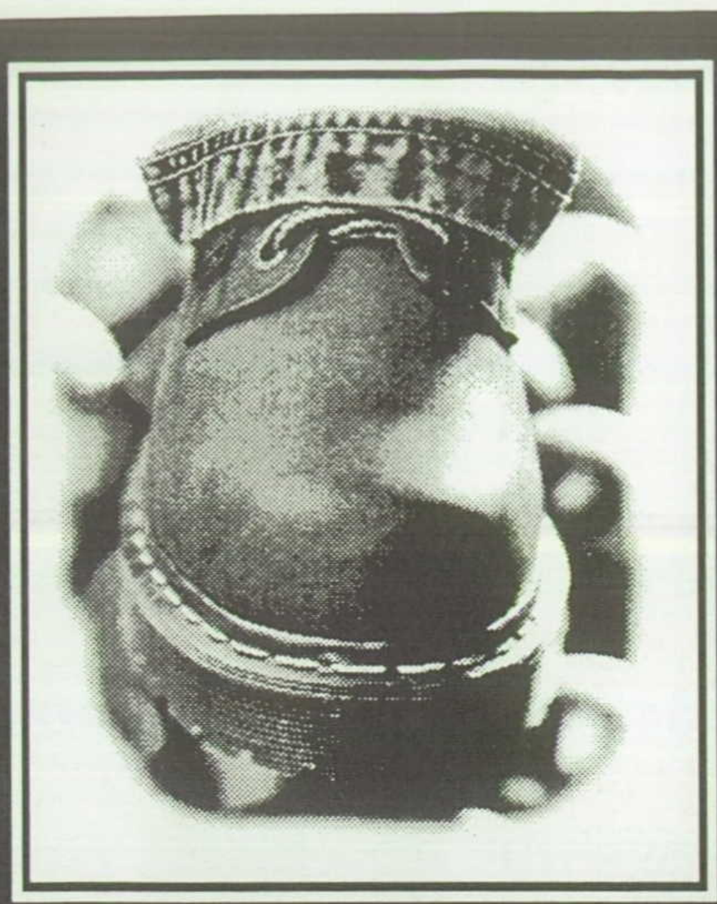
Jason "Greenie",
Wuz up cuz? Congratulations on all your accomplishments. Good luck in everything you do and remember I am your older cousin and I will always be a better fisherman.

Your cuz, Byron

Shametra McCain



Shametra,
In the past, I have always said "By Baby".
In the future, you will be my "Young Lady".
Love, Mom



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The world is a big place! Be true to yourself.
Love,
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Robbi and Cody

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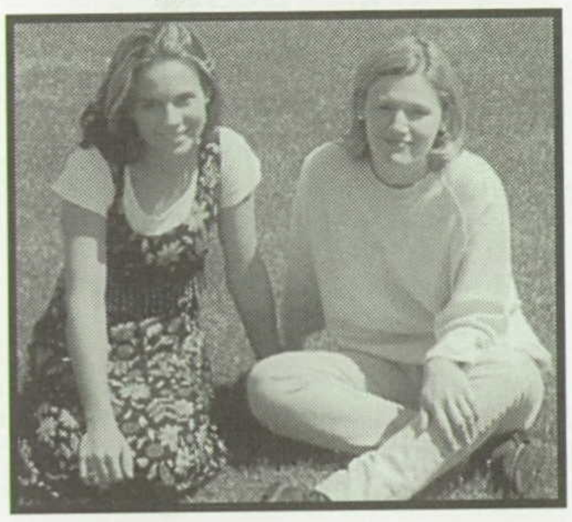
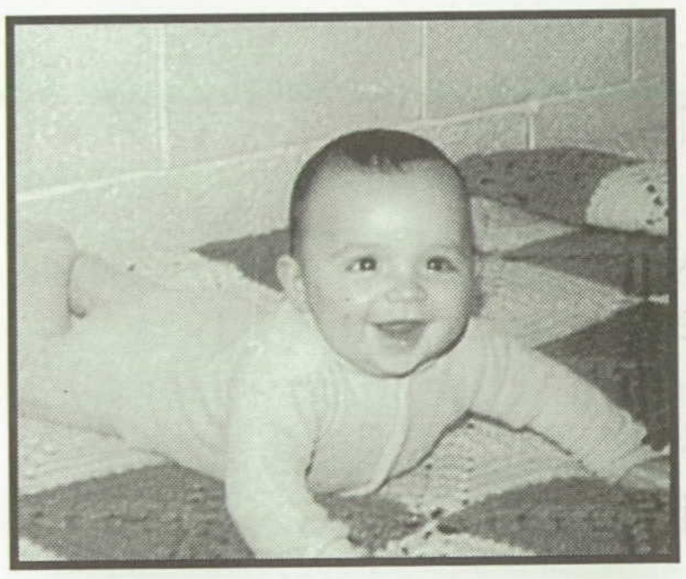
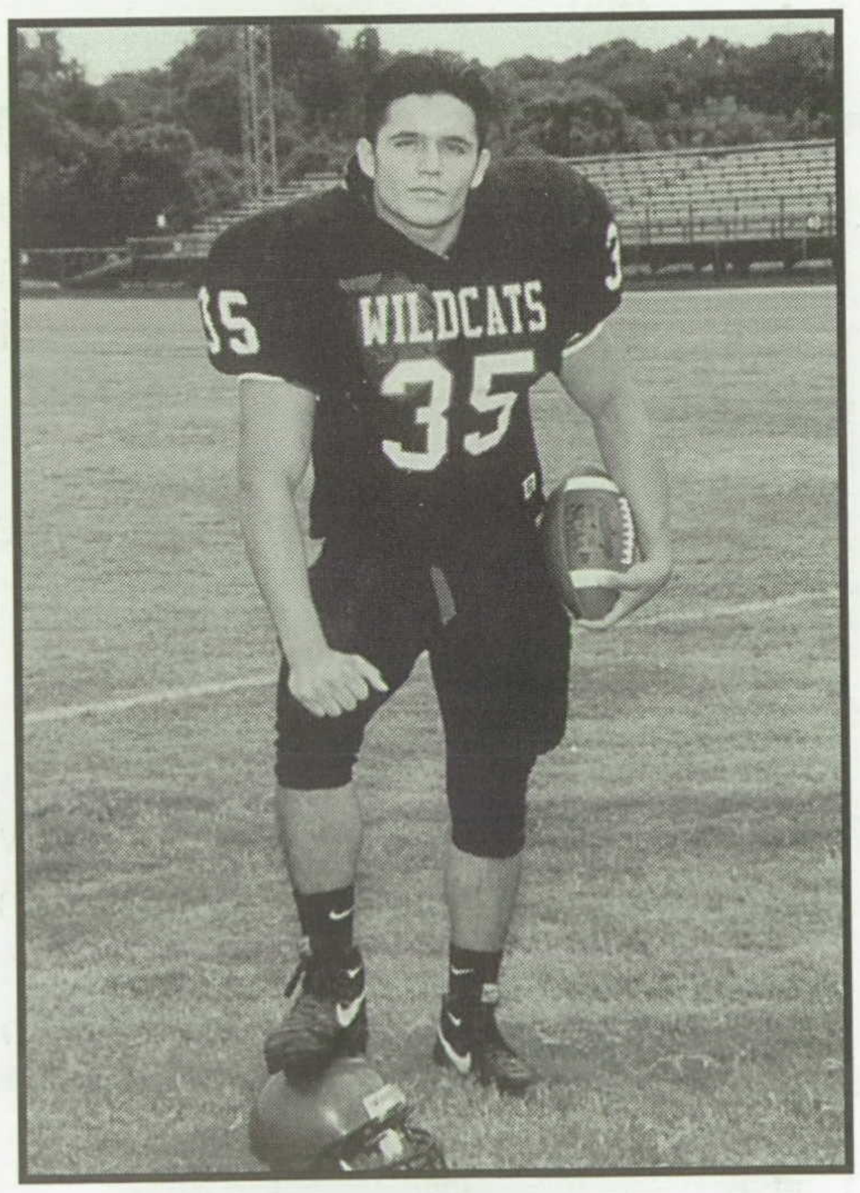


You displayed such dedication and I thank you for that. I enjoyed working with you and I will miss your "daily updates" next year.
Take care,
Ms. Boie

Alfredo Parra

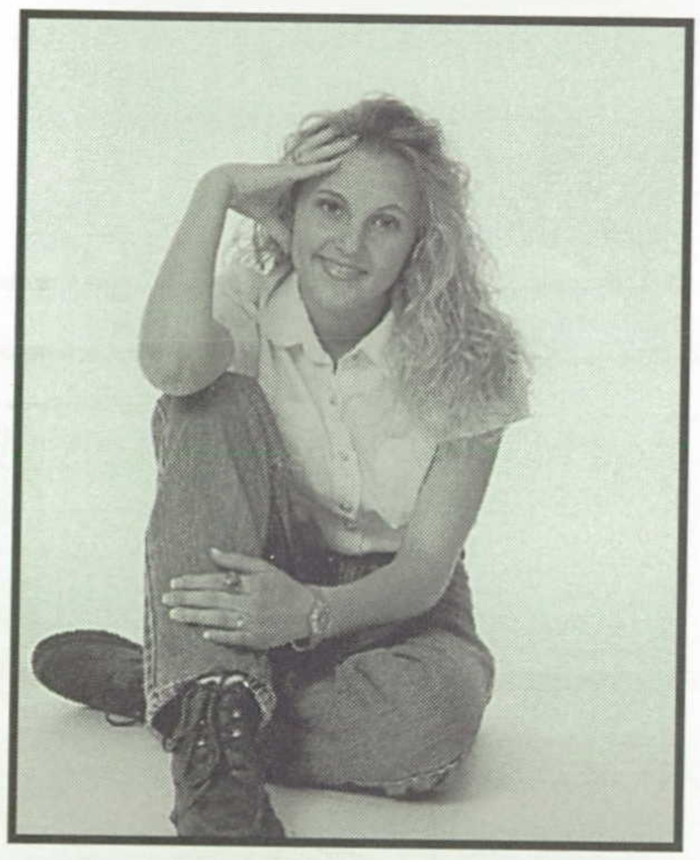
Freddy,
We wish you LUCK in everything you do. We know GOD will lead you to the pros.
May God bless you always.
Love always,
Mom and Dad
Albert





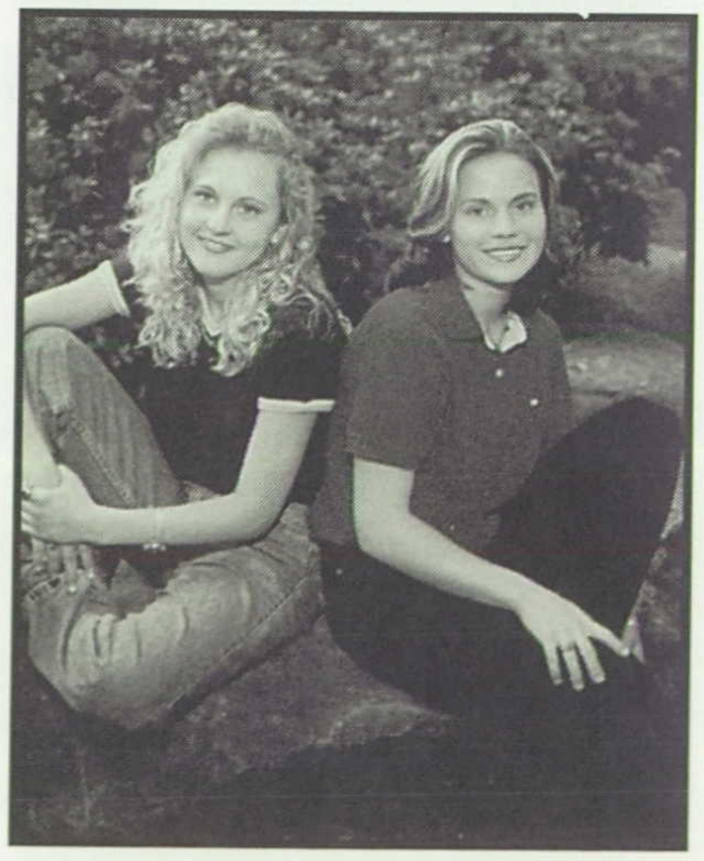
Mr. Freeze #35

Crystal K. Cross



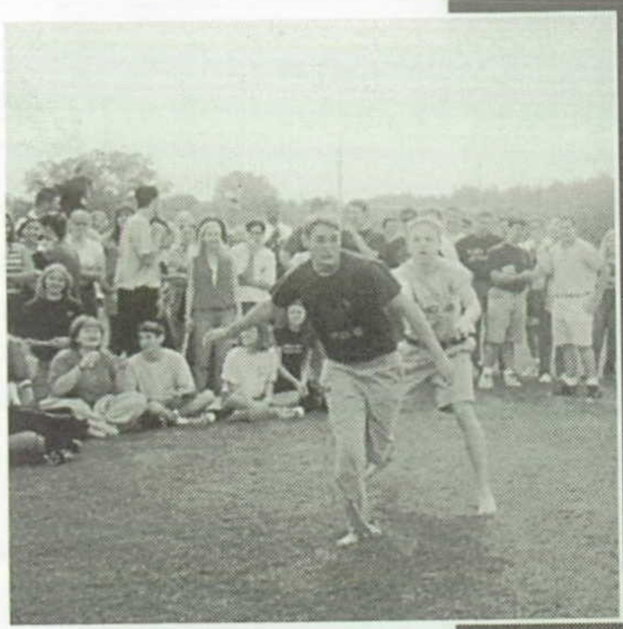
You are one of life's precious treasures and collections, memories and moments. Good luck in your life's choices and remember when things are tough, you always have a place with us.
We love you,
Mom and Dad

With your winning personality and deep compassion, you have taken a permanent place in our heart. You are a bright ray of sunshine in our lives. Congratulations on your graduation! You will go far in life!
Our love,
Dan and Lucia
Beau

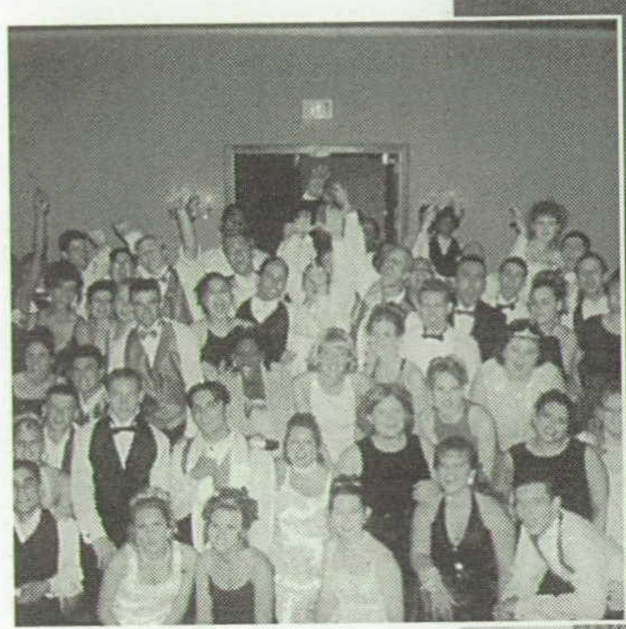


We are finally seniors and the moment we have been waiting for has arrived. Together we have been through a lot and I hope we have many memories to come. Good luck and Congratulations!
Love,
Amy Casbeer

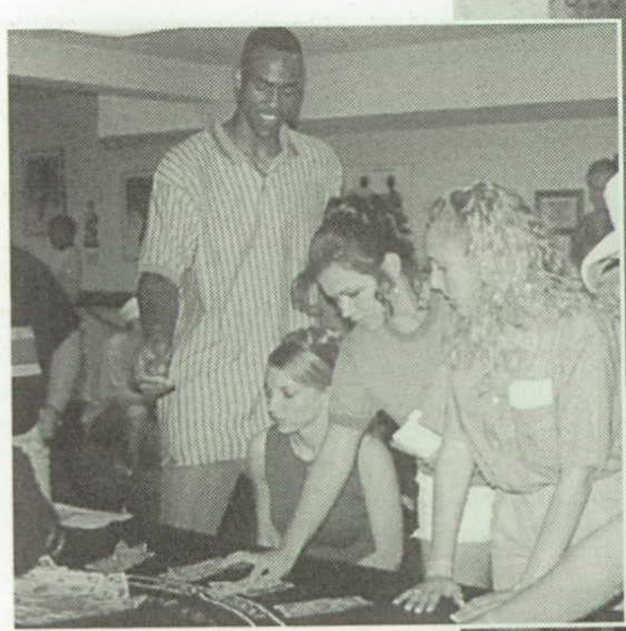
Senior Kevin O'Shields and junior Casey Curry turn the practice field into an entertainment arena with their natural acting abilities. They acted out a fake fight when the building was evacuated due to a fire in the CMC room during the last week of school.



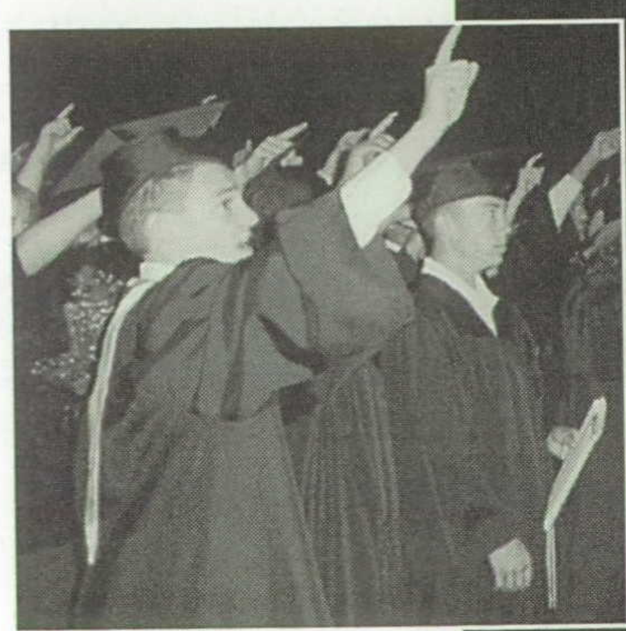
Gathering together on the dance floor at prom, the seniors danced the night away. They remained at the prom up until the announcement of king and queen.



At the "after prom party", seniors Nigel Smith, Summer Morris, Sara White and Crystal Cross play their odds at the black jack table. The party took place at the Maverick Athletic Club in Arlington immediately following the prom.



Seniors Mike Agnello and Rusty Allen sing the school's Alma Mater at the graduation for the last time. This concluded the ceremonies.



Closing

As the winter months turned into spring, students anxiously realized that the end of the school year had approached too soon. The freshmen had completed their first year of high school, the sophomores would no longer be stuck in the middle and the juniors would finally take reign as the senior class of 1999. In the meantime, the class of 1998 was both elated and sombered. For them, the last bell had rung, the last academic awards had been given, the last ball game had been played, and the last prom had been danced. They walked their final walk across the stage, knowing that their graduation would be the last time they would all be together as one. As they looked around at each other, they reflected upon the memories that would be with them always. With diplomas in hand, they looked ahead. Their lives had just begun.

THE *Last* DANCE

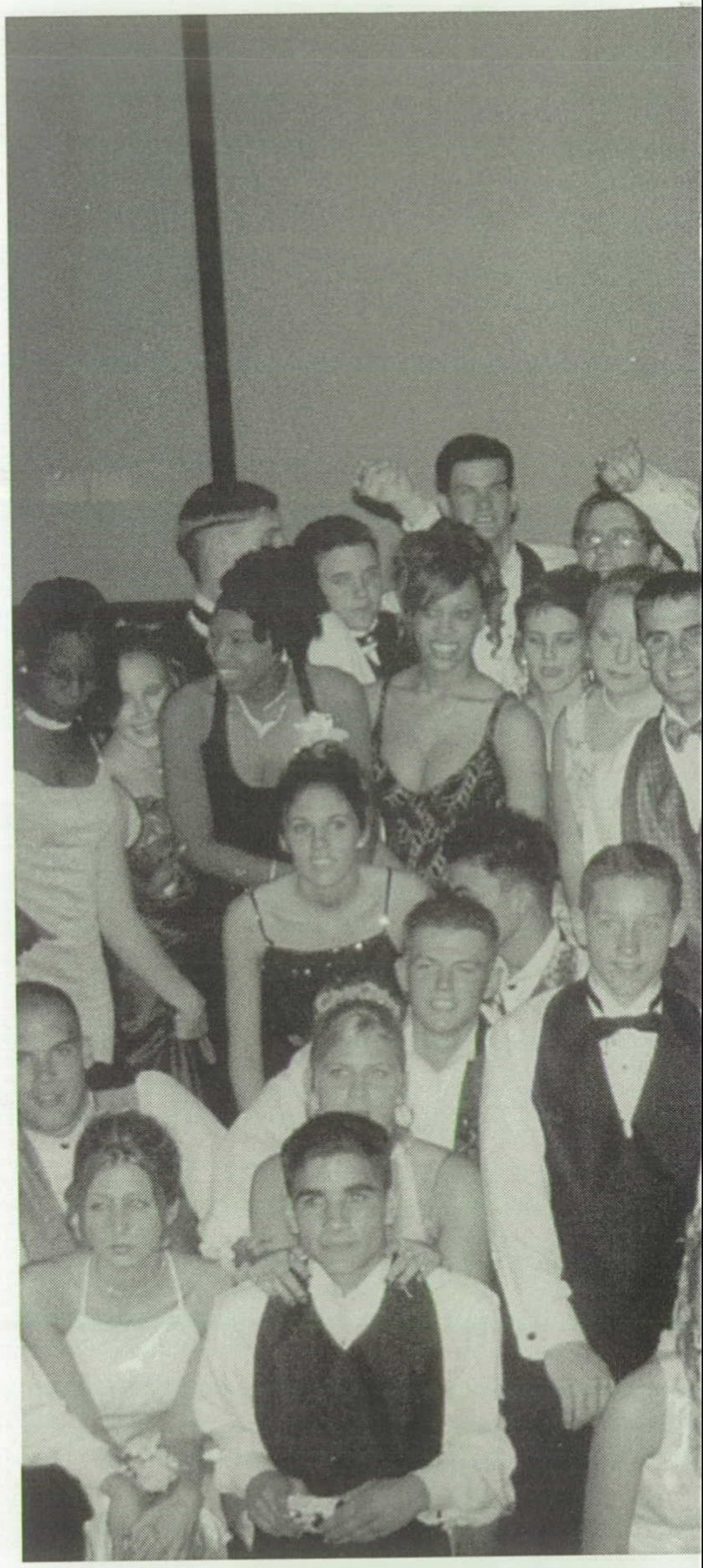
It was a night of elegance filled with joy and happiness. Girls arrived in long cascading gowns that brushed the floor as they walked. Boys were transformed into men wearing sheik tuxedos. One by one they entered into the Midsummer Night's Dream.

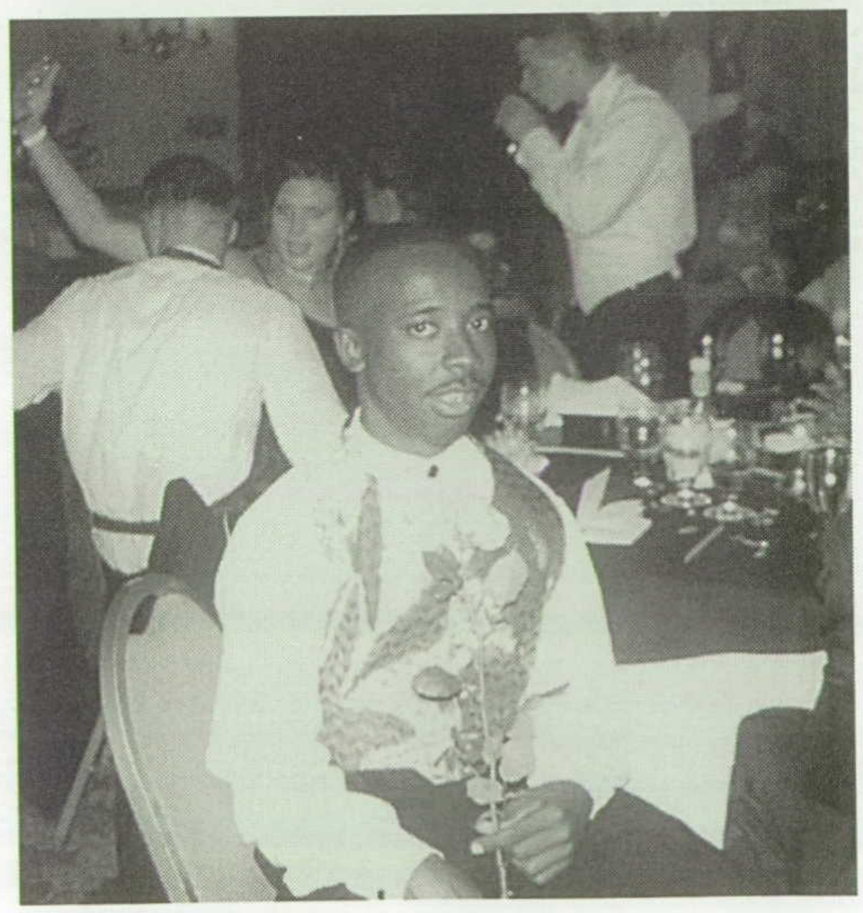
Chandeliers hung from the ceiling, tables were adorned with glistening candles, sparkling crystal and shimmering silverware. Life-long friends reminisced on the past as they embraced each other for group photos. While they dined, laughs were shared and anticipated tears were hidden. As the evening progressed, the dance floor overflowed with juniors and seniors having the time of their lives.

Eventually, the evening mellowed down and they peacefully departed from their Midsummer Night's Dream. The ones who would return next year simply smiled and thought about what a great time they had, but for the seniors who would go their separate ways, the "Last Dance" was forever cherished in their hearts.

by Brandi Knox

Seniors Ryan Cosser and Heidi Golden are announced Prom King and Queen. They were voted on by all seniors that attended the prom.





Senior Kenton Owens sits at his table awaiting the announcement of prom king and queen. The tables were adorned with the class flower, fire and ice roses.

Seniors gather together before the last dance to show off their individual style. The Prom theme was "A Midsummer Night's Dream" and it was held at the Hilton in Arlington on Saturday, May 2, 1998.

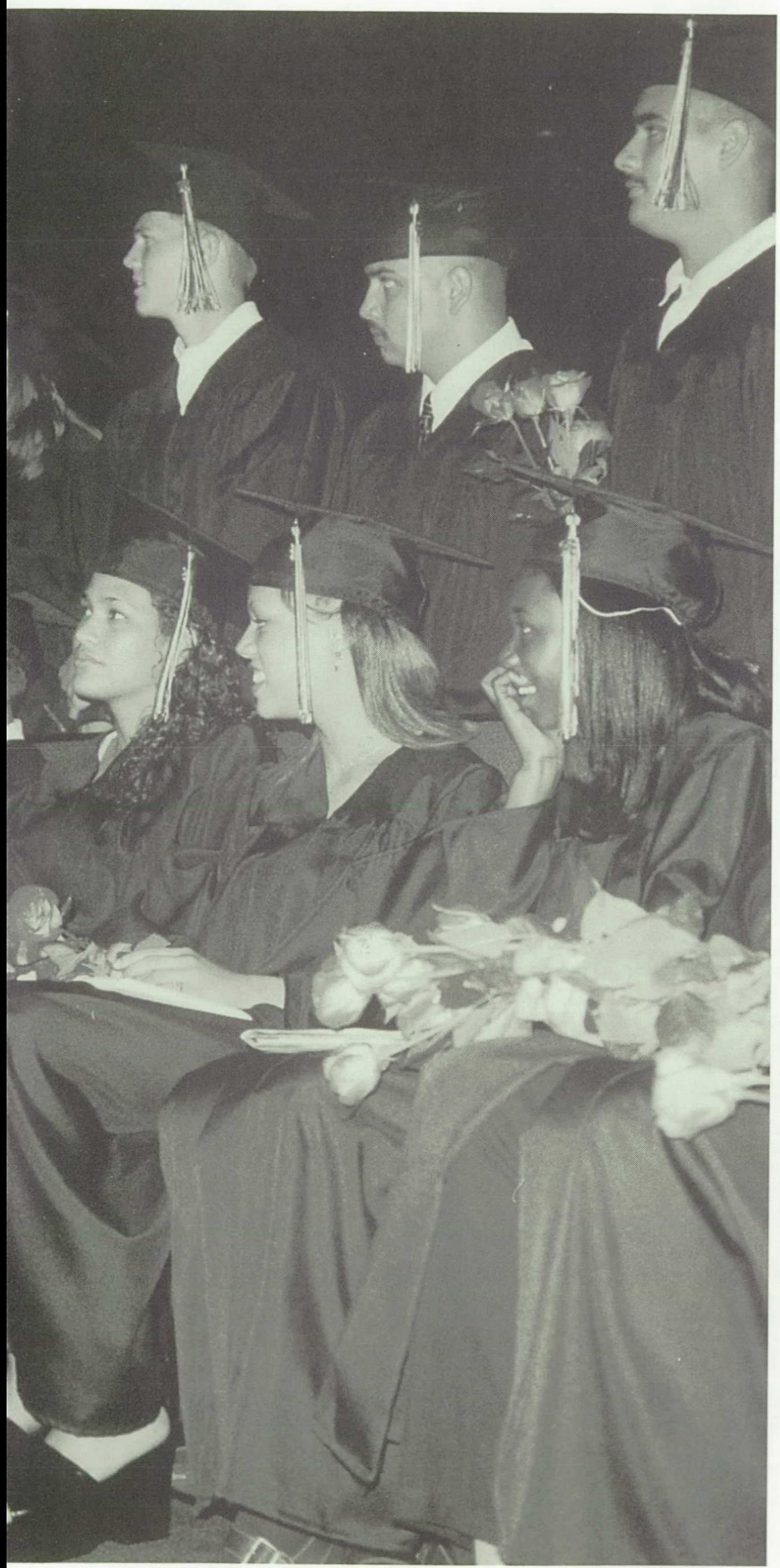
Seniors Crystal Cross and Jeri McMillan show off their moves on the dance floor. Following the dinner, most everyone occupied the dance floor up until the announcement of king and queen.

Prom goers fight for space on the floor as they dance the night away. A great time was had by all and it was definitely one to remember.

Heading FOR SUCCESS

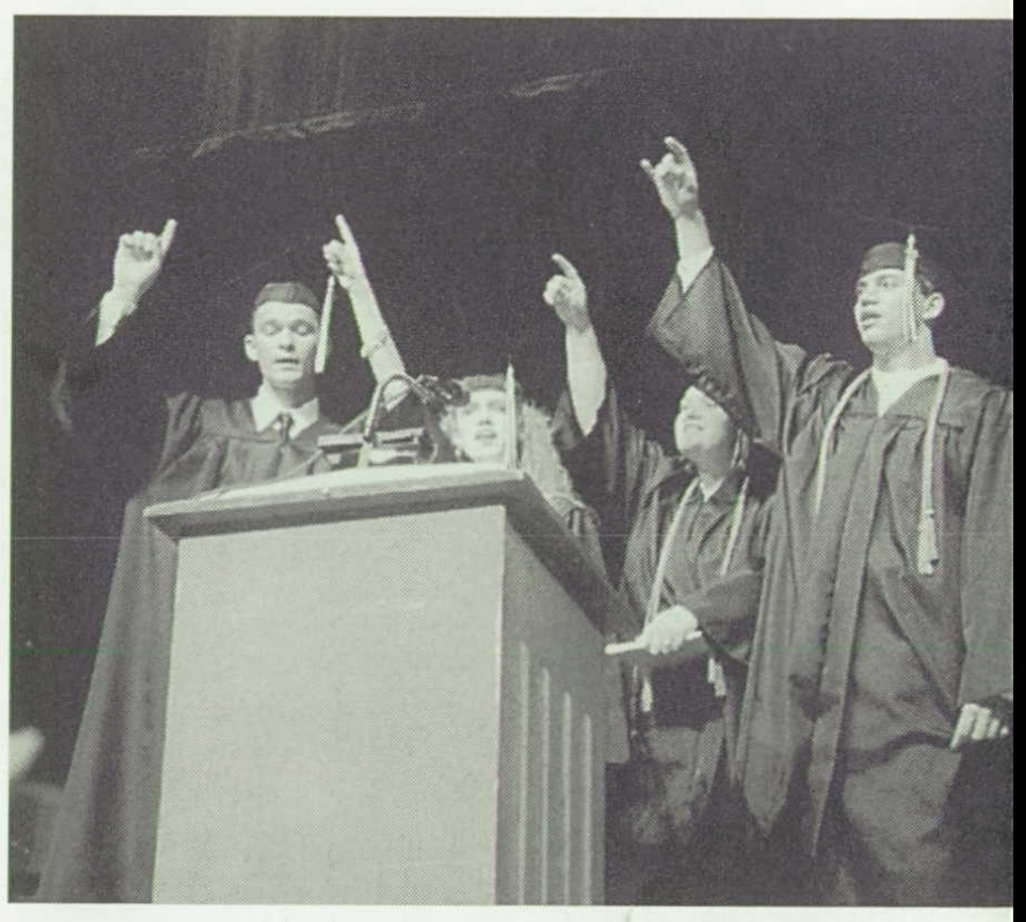
AS THE YEAR CAME TO A CLOSE, THE CLASS *"Today we, the graduating "Class of 1998",* OF 1998 PREPARED TO EMBARK ON THE ADVENTURE *stand at a crossroads. For the first time the* OF A LIFE TIME. WHILE AT KENNEDALE THEY GAINED *decision of which path we choose is up to us.* STRENGTH, CONFIDENCE AND THE WILL TO SUCCEED. *Only those who dream big can have big dreams* WITH THEIR DIPLOMA IN HAND, THEY REALIZED *come true. True happiness resides in the soul* THAT THIS WAS THE FINAL MOMENT THAT THEY *of the one who sees brilliance of each new* WOULD ALL BE TOGETHER AS ONE. AS THE GRADUATES *dawn. Embrace every moment." Karen Pinkerton* THREW THEIR CAPS IN THE AIR, THEY TOOK

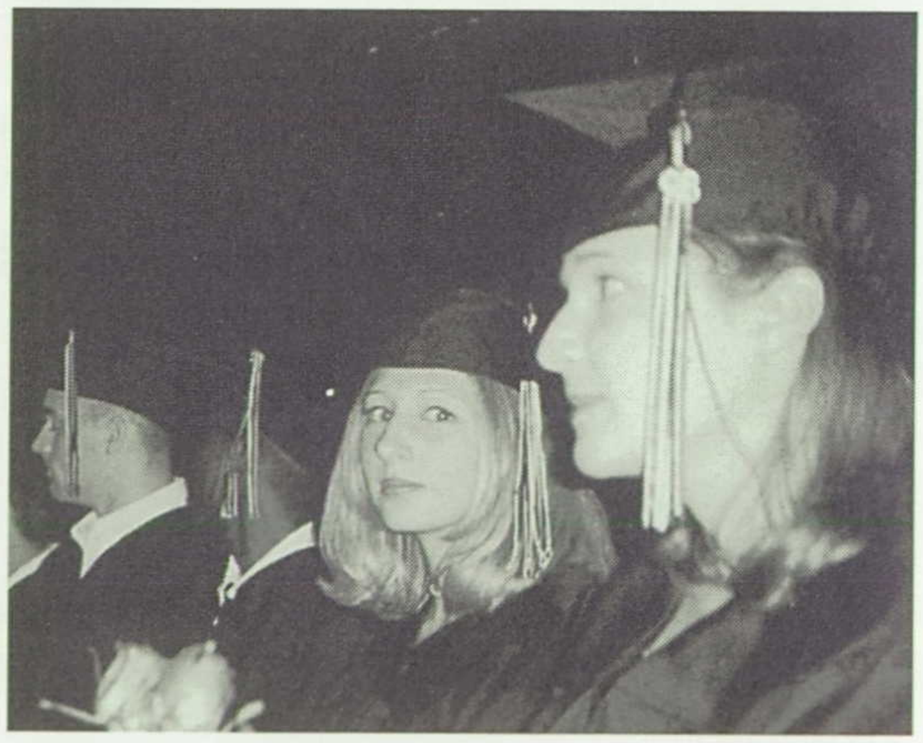
One Last Look



After receiving their diplomas and having their tassels moved from the right to left by superintendent Mr. Horton, these graduates take their seats and look on as their fellow classmates follow their lead. The 1998 graduation was held on sunday, May thirty-first at Texas Hall at the University of Texas in Arlington.

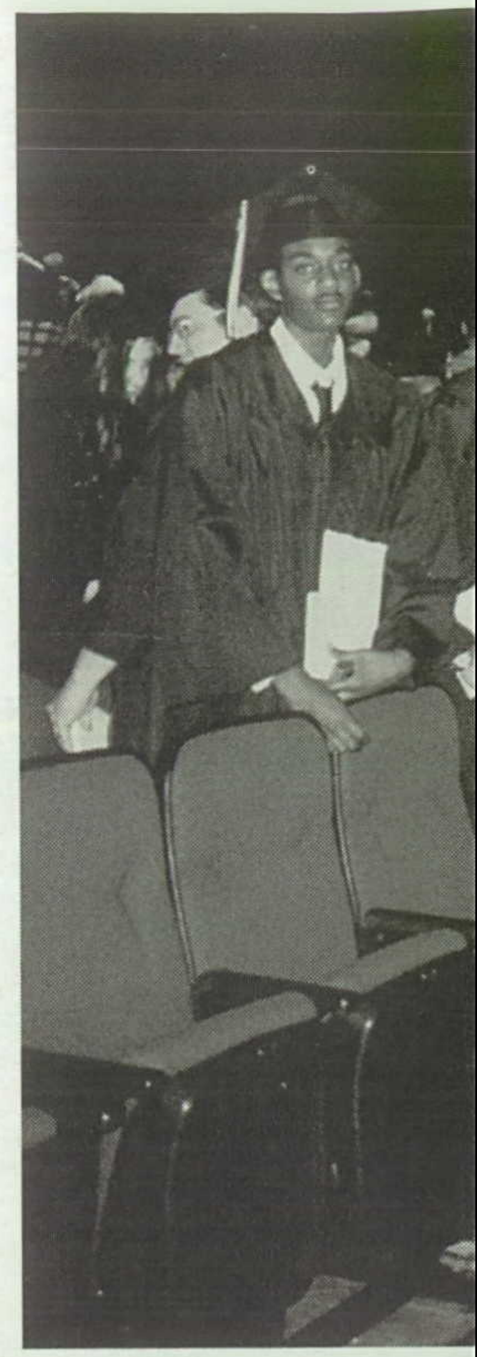
Graduating seniors Justin Reynolds, Lark Wallis, Holly Riddle and Brandon Wall lead the class in singing the alma mater. This concluded the graduation ceremony and was followed by the tossing of the caps.





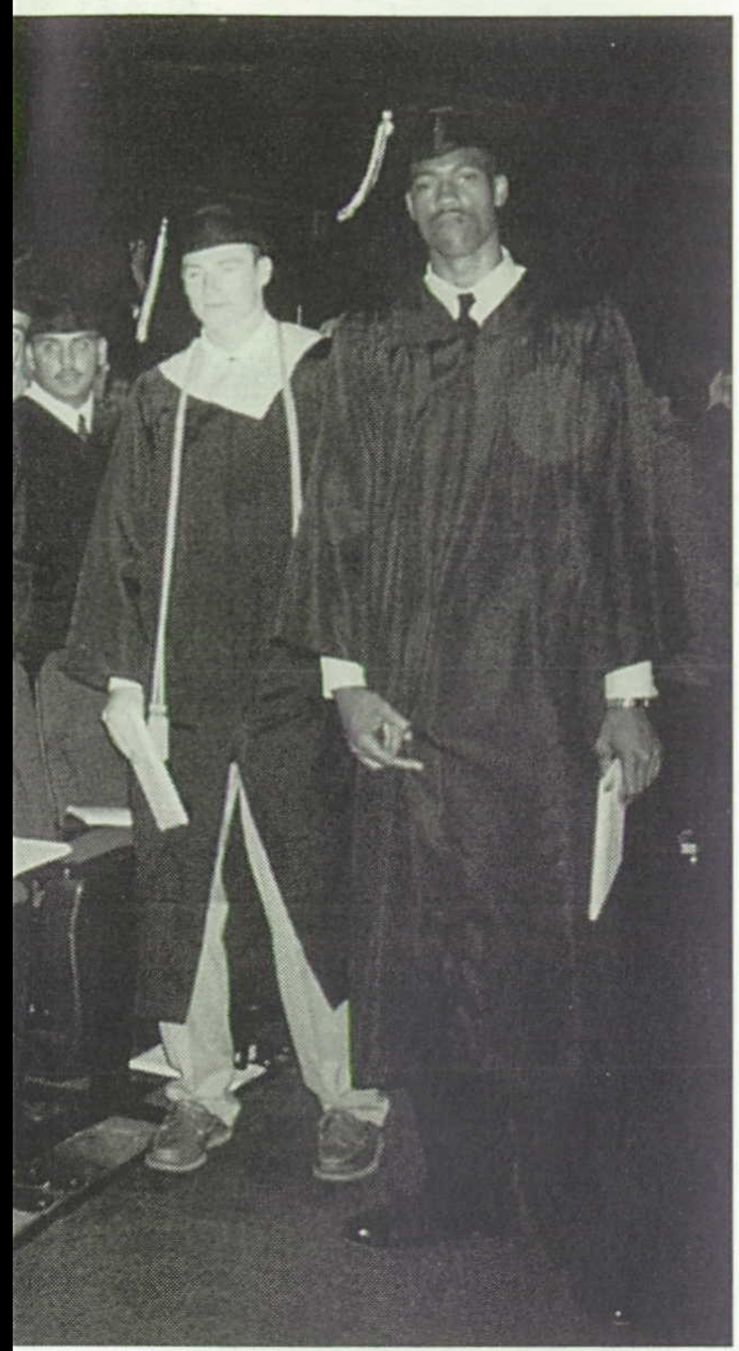
Graduates David Bayer, Jamal Berry, Tasha Bosworth and Courtney Brewer wait for the "parent gift" portion of the ceremony. Seniors traditionally gave coins to their fathers and roses to their mothers to show their appreciation.

The graduating seniors were recognized for their contributions while at Kennedale. "They have sailed into uncharted waters and their leadership was instrumental in Kennedale having its best year ever," remarked principal Mr. Farmer. Sixty-eight of the one hundred and thirty graduates were headed for post-high school education and twenty-five of them received scholarships.



Pep rallies and assemblies were scheduled throughout the year to honor both athletics and academics. Achievements did not go unnoticed for all students were recognized.

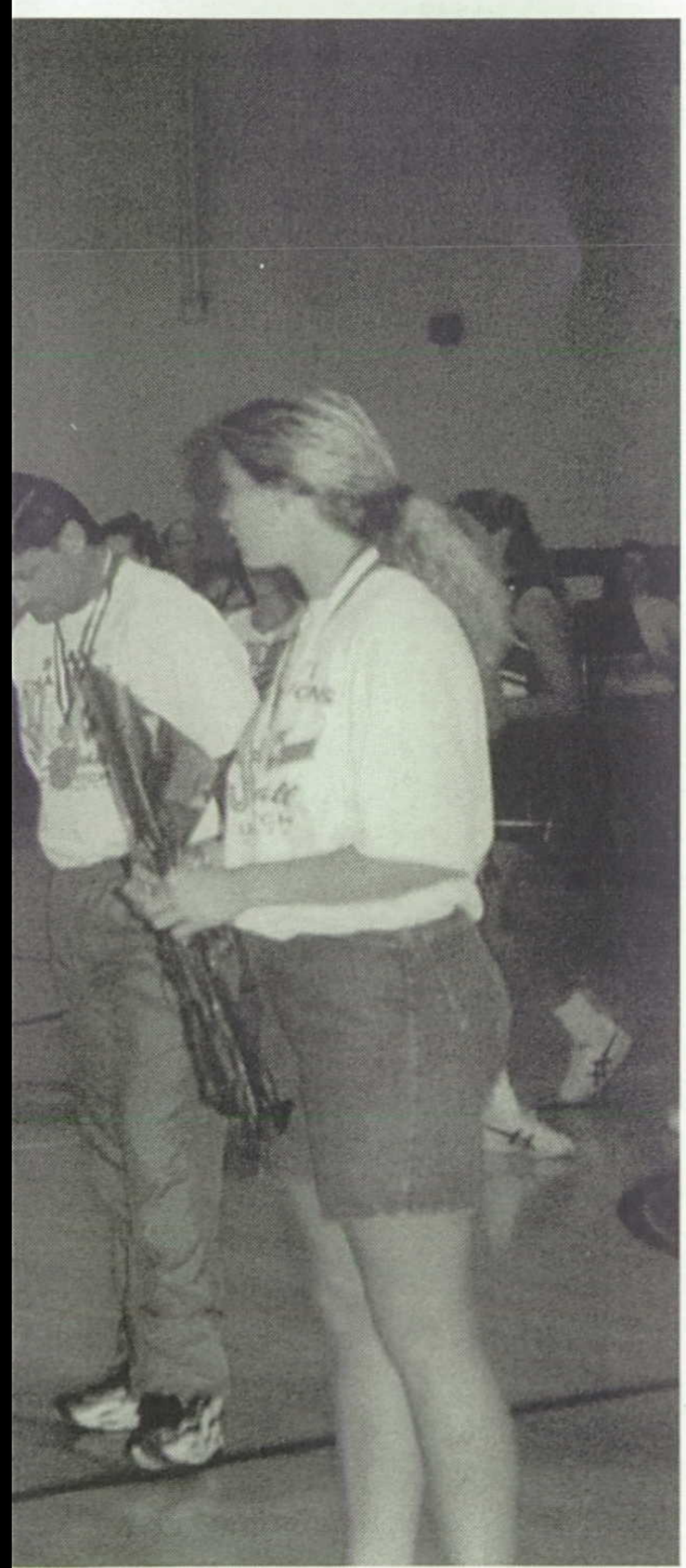
The State Softball Champions and coaches are recognized for bringing the title back to Kennedale. They were the first team to win a State Championship in the school's history. The pep rally was held the last week of school to honor the softball team and the UIL One Act Play among others.



A LOOK AT *Success*

As the end of May approached, the students took one last look as they said goodbye to another school year.

As they reflected upon the year's events, it was apparent to all that this was the best year in the history of Kennedale High School. The students gave new meaning to the word success while at the same time restoring the pride in the community with their outstanding accomplishments.



The athletic and academic achievements were certainly ones for the record books. For the first time a team was sent to state, and not only did they send one, but three went with the third winning the State Championship. Playoff status was reached in all but one event and again "Recognized" TAAS scores were achieved.

The Fine Arts, Athletic and Academic Banquets and a final pep rally were all held at the end of the year to recognize the students that made this year one to remember.

The graduating class took one last look at all of their accomplishments while at Kennedale as they prepared for their departure. Even though they moved on, the memories of the pep rallies, the dances and the State Championships would be with them always as they continued their successes beyond high school.

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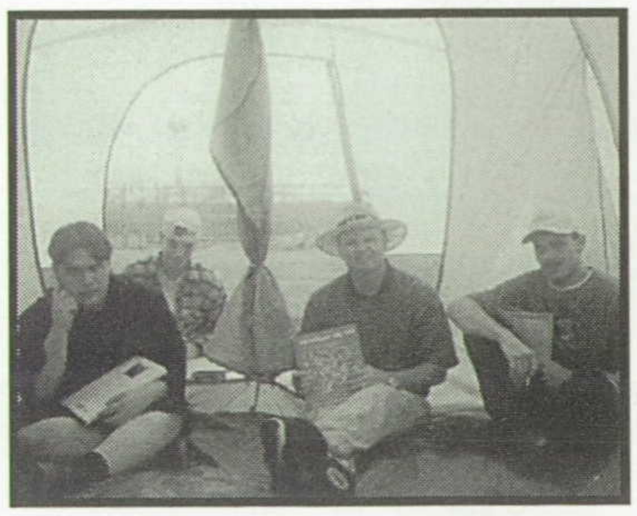

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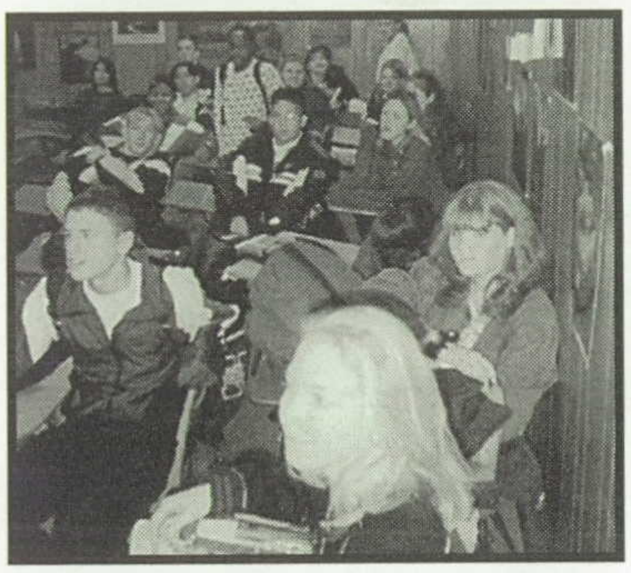

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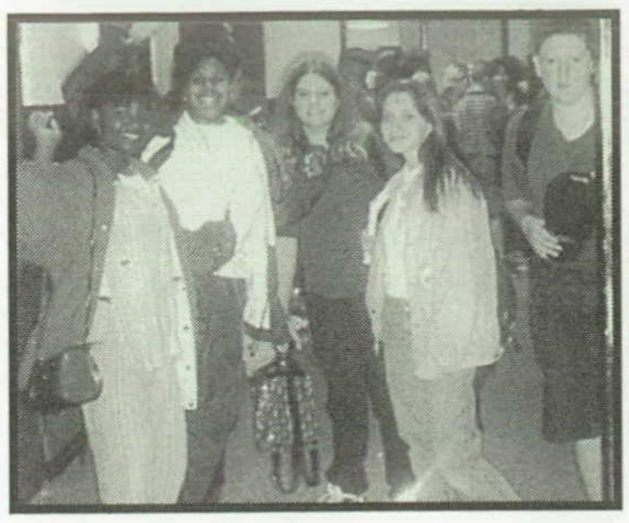

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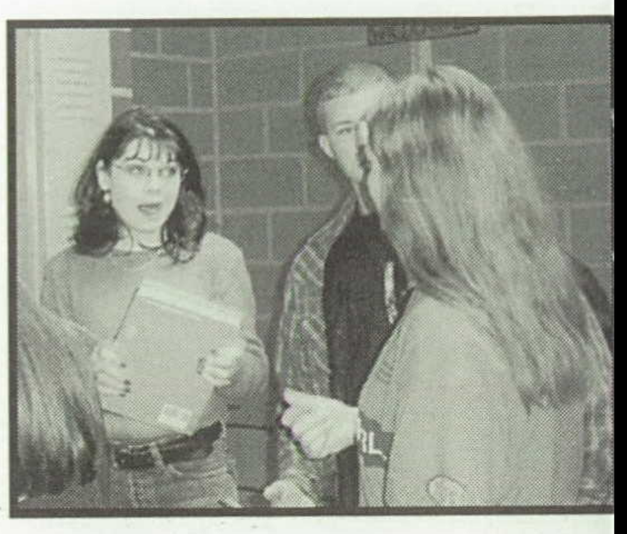

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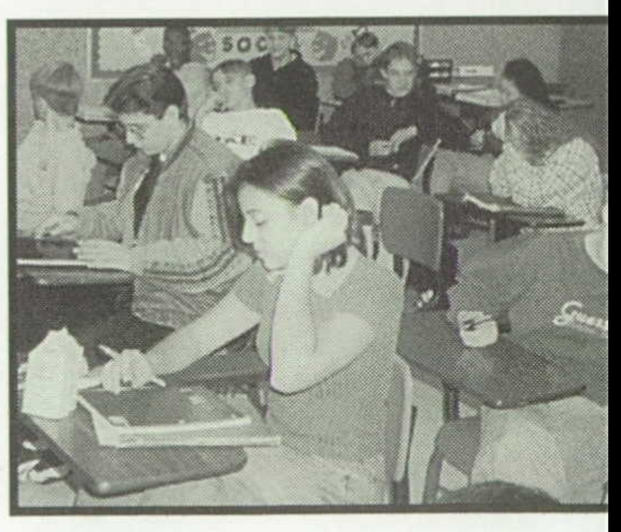

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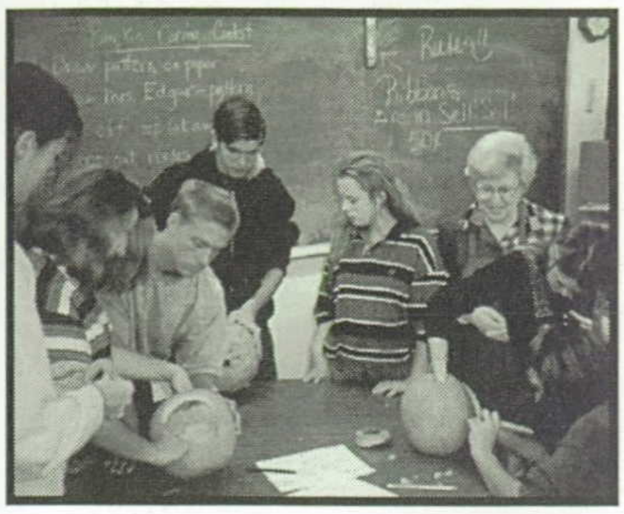

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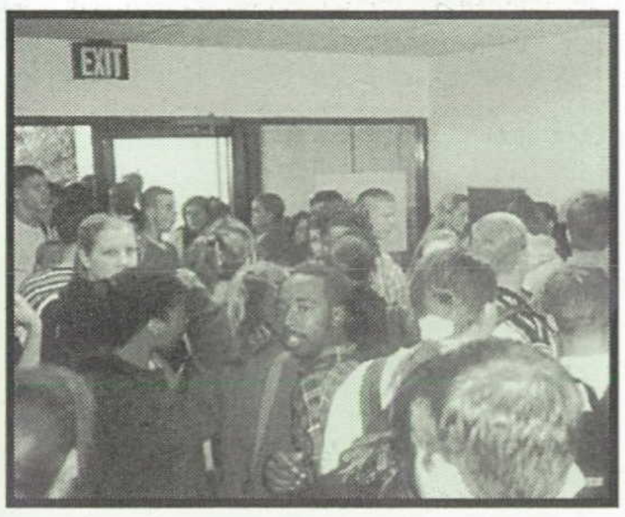

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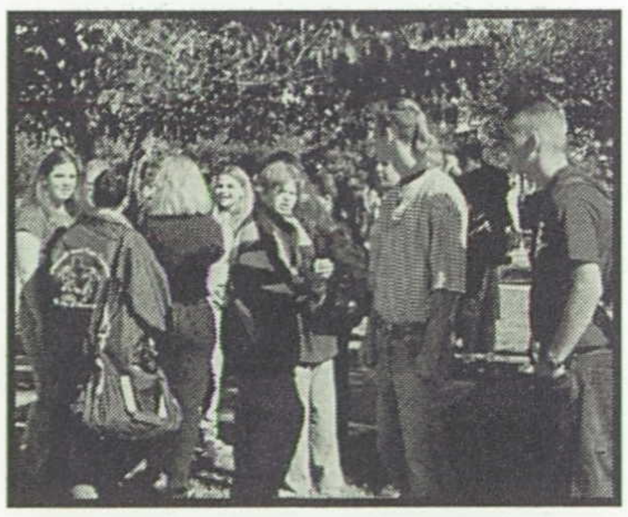

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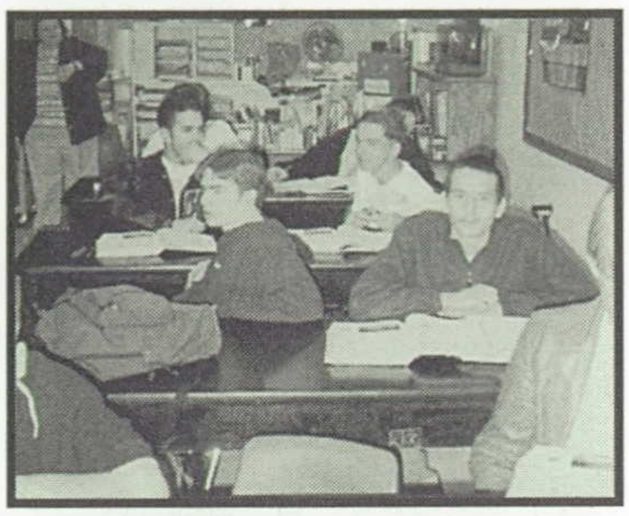

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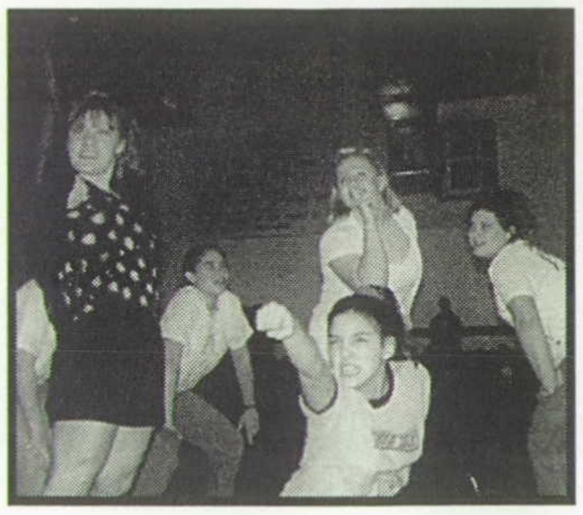

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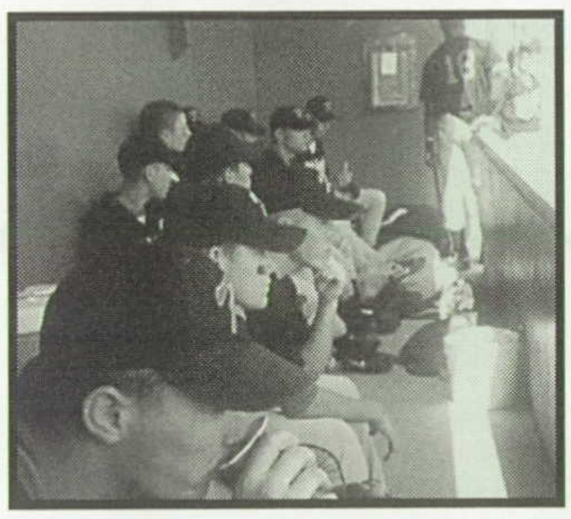

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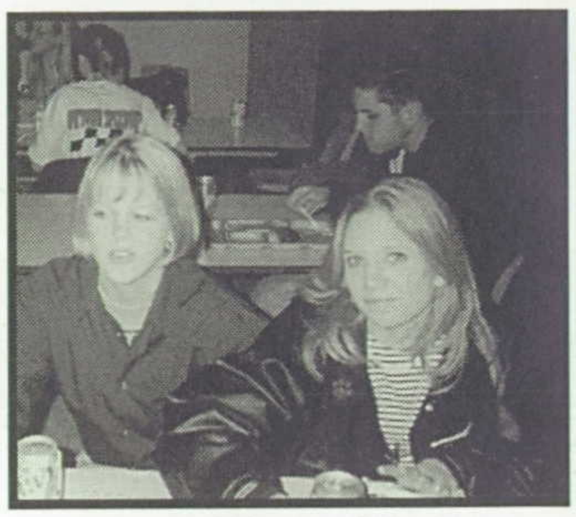

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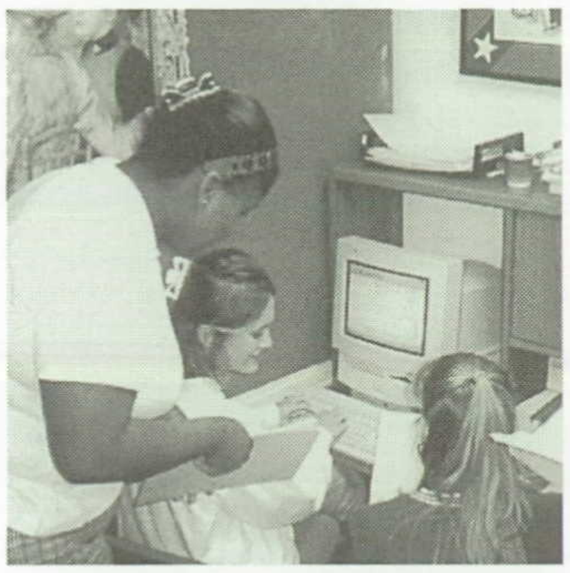

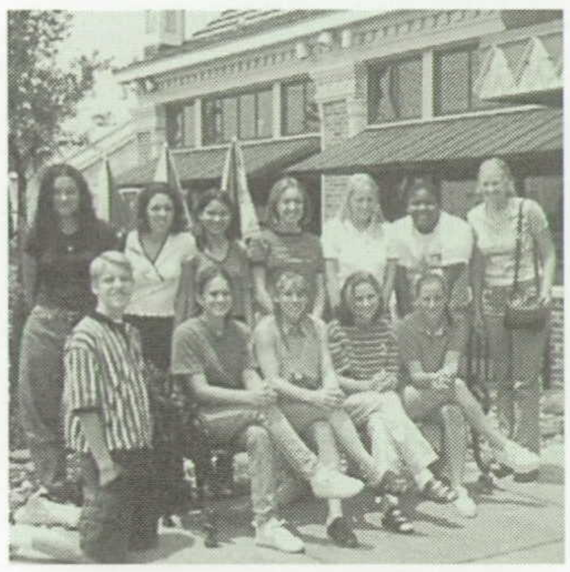

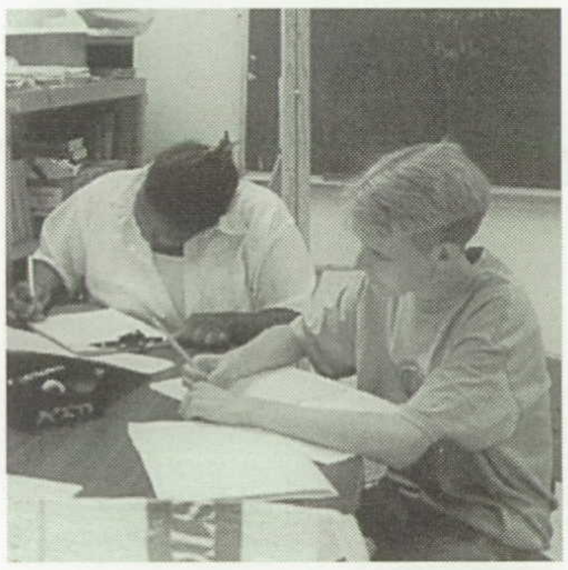

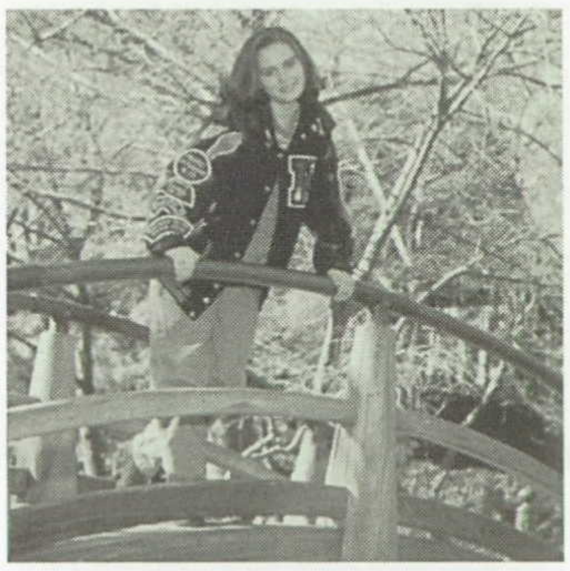

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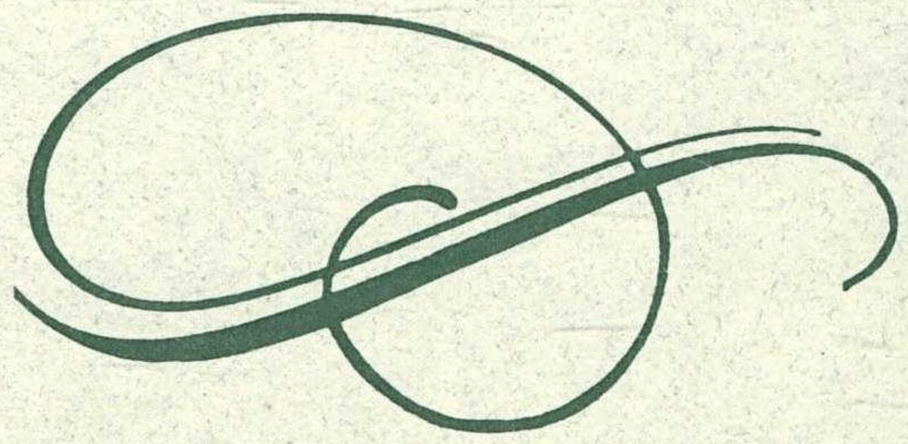

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